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Come one, come all



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The big top went up in Ignacio on Thursday, May 10 for two showings of the Carson & Barnes Circus at the Sky Ute Fairgrounds to the delight of young and old alike. The elephants were a big draw as many took their turn riding atop the mighty pachyderms. Lilly (left) was working overtime during the circus as she gave rides to throngs of attendees. Smiles-a-plenty were evident on the faces of Samarah Olguin (waving), Kalia Anthony-Olguin (front) and others as they make their rounds during intermission.

For more photos,
see pages 11 and 12.

CHIMNEY ROCK

Local support
strong for national
monument proposal

By Ace Stryker
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The movement to designate the Chimney Rock Archaeological Area a National Monument gained steam on Friday, May 11, when more than 150 people attended a meeting at the Archuleta County Fairgrounds in Pagosa Springs, the majority of them voicing support.

Chimney Rock sits inside the east half of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation on approximately 4,100 acres of San Juan National Forest land. The site, which was home to the ancestors of local Native Americans a millennium ago, was designated an Archaeological Area and National Historic Site in 1970.

But Colorado's congressmen are now asking for greater recognition and protection from the federal government.

In both 2010 and 2011, Rep. Scott Tipton and Sen. Michael Bennet introduced legislation that would direct the U.S. Forest Service to name the area a National Monument, making it just

the sixth such site overseen by the agency and the first in Colorado. Last year, the Denver Post's Joanne Dittmer followed with a supportive column calling the area a "national treasure" and asserting that "Congress should respond with a much-deserved National Monument designation for this unique legacy."

But each time, Congress' session drew to a close without enactment.

The legislators renewed their push on Friday, April 20 of this year, by adopting a new tack: Rather than seeking a joint resolution in Congress, a slow and often politicized process, they — along with Sen. Mark Udall of Colorado — sent a letter to President Barack Obama asking him to make the declaration himself.

Under the Antiquities Act of 1906, presidents have designated 130 National Monuments over the past century that are managed by various agencies.

"Chimney Rock is considered by many to be the most

Chimney Rock page 9

IHS GIRLS' TRACK & FIELD

Two Lady Cats to State

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

In Class 2A girls' track-and-field distance running, there seems to be Tabor Scholl, and then everyone else.

Including Ignacio High's Cloe Seibel, who along with all other entrants in the 800- and 1,600-meter runs at last week's San Juan Basin League/Western Slope League Championships in Grand Junction, got a good look at the West Grand (Kremmling) dynamo's back as she raced to the front.

Seibel ran a 6:01.84 in the 1,600 — good for seventh, behind Scholl's 5:09.14 — and later a 12th-

Carrying
the Ignacio
name into this
weekend's State
Track & Field
Championships
at Jeffco
Stadium in
Lakewood will
be Simmons
and Cotton.

place 2:49.44 covering half the length (Scholl clocked 2:18.99) as the Lady Bobcats' lone long-ranger.

So Ignacio's team points, if success was to be en-

joyed, would have had to come from elsewhere. And those that did inside Stocker Stadium came from the dynamic duo of junior Michelle Simmons and freshman Sky Cotton.

Neither won an individual discipline, but they combined for five top-five finishes. Simmons came closest to victory, but was slightly slower — following Paonia's Ce'rra Carsten — to clear 4'10.5" in the high jump. Cotton (4'6.5") tied Mancos' Devin Kroeker for fifth.

Simmons and Cotton were 5-6 in the 200-meter dash, posting respective finals times of 27.13 and

Lady Cats page 8



Christopher R. Rizzo/SU Drum

Speaking at a Wednesday, May 9 health insurance meeting for Southern Ute tribal members were (left to right) Cathy Sims, vice president of IMA Benefits; Tom Duran, director of the tribe's Tribal Health Department; and Elizabeth Spano, IMA account executive.

YOUR HEALTH

Should the tribe insure all its
members?

By Christopher R. Rizzo
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Southern Ute Tribal Health Advisory Committee hosted a meeting on Wednesday, May 9 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort to discuss the possibility of enrolling tribal members in the same health insurance program as tribal employees.

Approximately 1,300 employees are currently covered under Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Colorado. Enrolling tribal members in the same program would offer them many benefits, said Tom Duran, director of the Tribal Health Department. The issue is critical since many tribal members are without a healthcare provider, he said.

Today, the Southern Ute Health Center and Tribal Member Health Benefits are

paying for services required off reservation. Insuring all tribal members would mean that the budget could double, from nearly \$7 million to approximately \$14 million.

Duran purposed three options — including different copay, deductible and coinsurance arrangements — and discussed the benefits of each, including increased access to care, credentialed network providers, greater cost efficiency, 24/7 customer service, and a broad range of choices.

Reaction among the 30 or so tribal members in attendance was split, with some favoring the notion and others expressing concerns.

Tribal elder Ray Frost Sr. said that the tribe, having come so far as a sovereign nation, should offer health insurance as a benefit of its prosperity.

"We have families and many

more generations to come," he said. "Let's get this taken care of. Let's make this happen."

Several tribal members present raised questions, such as whether the insurance would cover elder care in an assisted living facility. Other concerns centered around tribal members who already have insurance through an employer and tribal members with children who are not enrolled.

The committee said more information would be forthcoming.

Also speaking at the meeting were Vice President Cathy Sims and Account Executive Elizabeth Spano of the Denver office of IMA Benefits, an insurance broker. They came in support of the measure.

The committee also discussed hosting an evening meeting for those tribal members who missed the first one.

Red Willow celebrates 20 years



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Michael Doucet, front man for the premier zydeco music group BeauSoleil of Lafayette, La., performs during the Red Willow Production Co.'s 20th anniversary celebration on Friday, May 4 at the Sky Ute Fairgrounds. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's energy company celebrated the milestone with a true Cajun broil during the concert. The ceremonies were opened with remarks from the heads of Southern Ute Energy and tribal leaders. Red Willow is a division of the Southern Ute Growth Fund.



NEWS IN BRIEF

IGNACIO

ROAD RUNNER TRANSIT ANNOUNCES CEDAR POINT EAST STOP

As of Monday, May 14, the Road Runner Transit, SUCAP, and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe are pleased to announce a new stop at the Cedar Point East Subdivision. It is located where the mailboxes used to be, just inside the main entrance on Lodge Pole Way at the intersection of Shadow Spirit Lane. Cedar Point West residents who wish to take advantage of this stop will need to make it over to the Cedar Point East pickup. This also applies to Ignacio Peaks residents. There will be no more individual pickups by route buses with the installation of this new stop. The Dial-A-Ride service will continue to stop at individual residences. The Dial-A-Ride begins at 9:30 a.m. weekdays and 11 a.m. on weekends. This service is available daily for trips within Ignacio city limits. We hope to make it easier and more convenient for everyone south of the town of Ignacio to catch a bus into Ignacio, Durango or Aztec. A revised schedule reflecting this change will be posted and copies will be made available upon request from either the driver of your bus or at our office at 295 Lakin Street in Ignacio.

ELEMENTARY TO HOST KINDERGARTEN SCREENING

Ignacio Elementary School will be screening incoming Kindergarten students who did not attend Head Start and who will be five on or before Oct. 1. Screening will take place on Wednesday, May 23 from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Call 970-563-0675 to schedule an appointment.

CASINO TO HOST FISH AND WILDLIFE CONFERENCE

The 27th annual Native American Fish and Wildlife Society's Southwest Regional Conference will take place at the Sky Ute Casino Resort, July 24-26. This year's conference theme is "Honoring Mother Earth, Preserving Our Native Teachings, Adapting for the Future." Registration is on-site only and is \$175. Hotel rooms have been blocked at a rate of \$112 per night; to reserve, call 970-563-7777 or 888-842-4180. For more information, call Norman Jojola at 505-753-1451 or Joe Jojola at 505-563-3408.

UTE VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL REUNION ANNOUNCED

A reunion for former students of the Ute Vocational High School will take place on Friday, May 25 in Ute Park from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please bring two gifts for bingo prizes and your favorite potluck dish. Bring your family, enjoy the company of old school friends; we still look the same. For more information, call Diane (Cambridge) Baker at 970-588-2231, Irene (Coolidge) Burch at 970-563-4481, or Arlene (Weaver) Millich at 970-259-0582.

DANCING SPIRIT GALLERY PRESENTS ART SHOW

Dancing Spirit Gallery presents the "Waa Nu Mamachiu" art show at the Dancing Spirit Co-op Gallery in Ignacio on Friday, May 25, from 6 to 9 p.m. Come and meet the artists, Arlene Millich and Charise Hunter. Food and beverages will be provided. Call the gallery for more information at 970-563-9200.

FREE BISON MEAT AVAILABLE TO TRIBAL MEMBERS

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Division of Wildlife Resource Management maintains a small herd of bison for the Tribe's ceremonial, cultural and dietary needs. As a service to the tribal membership, the division makes available bison meat to enrolled Southern Ute tribal members free of charge. Tribal bison are grass-fed at low herd density and are free of artificial hormones and other synthetic chemicals. Bison meat is naturally low in cholesterol and an excellent, healthy alternative to beef. If you are an enrolled Southern Ute tribal member interested in obtaining bison meat for personal use, call the Division of Wildlife at 970-563-0130. Quantities and cuts of meat available may be limited.

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MANY MOONS AGO



Dave Brown/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

Sitting in a circle of chairs, those who attended the Cedar Point Ute Home Grant Program Open House and Dedication on May 13 enjoyed the singing of 12 Gauge (lower left) and the Four Corners Gourd Dance Society (center of the circle). The three-bedroom house in the background was one of the houses open for tours.

This photo first appeared in the May 17, 2002, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

20 years ago

In keeping with tradition, it is the women who choose their Bear Dance partners, as it was a female bear that taught the young hunter. Native Americans from all over the United States and Canada were expected in Ignacio to attend. The Bear Dance began May 22 and culminated in a feast for all guests, visitors and participants.

This photo first appeared in the May 16, 1992, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

The Committee of Elders meets with various departments to get the final plans underway for the Bear Dance. Groups attending the meeting at the new Bear Dance ground included the Police Department, Maintenance, Executive Office, Tribal Council, Economic Development and the Planning Commission. It was decided to follow the previous year's format and come up with a new plan for the following year's Bear Dance.

This photo first appeared in the May 21, 1982, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

Growth Fund general membership meeting

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Employees get Bear Dance primer



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Southern Ute Indian Tribe employees interested in attending a Bear Dance workshop were granted administrated leave on Monday, May 7 to learn a bit about Ute culture and prepare themselves for the upcoming event. Bear Dance Chief Matthew Box and Cultural Preservation Department Director Stacey Oberly hosted the workshop at the Multi-purpose Facility.



Growlers made from wooden axe handles make Bear Dance music come alive.

Students from the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy make their annual appearance at the Bear Dance workshop to share their Bear Dance experiences firsthand.

UTE LANGUAGE

This is your language

'ícha'ara muni 'apaghapi 'ura-'ay

By Tom Givón
UTE LANGUAGE PROGRAM

8. Plural and dual nouns

The second major structural property of Ute nouns is **pluralization**. Unlike in English, only **animate** nouns can have a plural form in Ute. So that an **inanimate** noun such as *təpəychi* ‘rock’, *wiichí* ‘knife’, *təvəpə* ‘country’ or *'apaghapi* ‘language’ can also mean ‘rocks’, knives’, ‘countries’ or ‘languages’, respectively.

Somewhat reminiscent of English, Ute has several patterns of plural-noun formation, some older and restricted, others younger and more general, and some overlapping with the plural patterns of adjectives or verb-derived nouns (see future columns).

(a) The plural suffix -u

In this, most common, plural pattern, the suffix **-u** is added after the regular noun suffix. The silent final vowel of the noun then comes back to life. For most nouns using this pattern, the meaning could then be either plural or dual, as in:

singular	plural
<i>sari-chí</i> ‘dog’	<i>sari-chi-u</i> ‘dogs’
<i>múusa-chí</i> ‘cat’	<i>múusa-chi-u</i> ‘cats’
<i>tua-chí</i> ‘child’	<i>tua-chi-u</i> ‘children’
<i>toghoa-ví</i> ‘rattlesnake’	<i>toghoa-vi-u</i> ‘rattlesnakes’
<i>sinaa-ví</i> ‘wolf’	<i>sinaa-vi-u</i> ‘wolves’
<i>kava</i> ‘horse’	<i>kava-yu</i> ‘horses’
<i>təgəvə-n</i> ‘my friend’	<i>təgəvə-u-n</i> ‘my friends’
<i>páa-n</i> ‘my kinsman’	<i>páa-u-n</i> ‘my kinsmen’

(b) The plural suffix -mə

This is an old pattern, found in nouns such as:

singular	plural
<i>kúchú</i> ‘buffalo’	<i>kuchu-mə</i> ‘buffalos’
<i>túku</i> ‘cougar’	<i>tuku-mə</i> ‘cougars’
<i>kwi-yagha-tu</i> ‘bear’	<i>kwi-yagha-tu-mə</i> ‘bears’

This is also the plural pattern of nouns derived from verbs, where Ute then has a **double-plural** pattern, combining the verbal plural suffix **-ka-** with the noun plural suffix **-mə**. That is:

singular	plural
<i>wáaka-mi-tu</i> ‘worker’ work-HAB-NOM	<i>wáaka-gha-mi-tu-mə</i> ‘workers’ work-PL-HAB-NOM-PL
<i>pə’ə-mi-tu</i> ‘writer’ write-HAB-NOM	<i>pə’ə-kwa-mi-tu-mə</i> ‘writers’ write-PL-HAB
<i>káa-mi-tu</i> ‘singer’ sing-HAB-NOM	<i>káa-gha-mi-tu-mə</i> ‘singers’ sing-pl-HAB-NOM-PL

The same **double-plural** pattern is also found in nouns derived from the verb ‘have’ (see last week’s column). That is:

singular	plural
<i>kani-gya-tu</i> ‘home-owner’ house-have-NOM	<i>kani-gya-gha-tu-mə</i> ‘home-owners’ house-have-PL-NOM-PL
<i>piwa-gha-tu</i> ‘married person’ spouse-have-NOM	<i>piwa-gha-qa-tu-mə</i> ‘married persons’ spouse-have-PL-NOM-PL
<i>puku-gwa-tu</i> ‘horse-owner’ horse-have-NOM	<i>puku-gwa-gha-tu-mə</i> ‘horse-owners’ horse-have-PL-NOM-PL
<i>pua-gha-tu</i> ‘medicine-man’ medicine-have-NOM	<i>pua-gha-qa-tu-mə</i> ‘medicine-men’ medicine-have-PL-NOM-PL

This pattern allows a distinction between the plural and **dual** forms, with the dual taking the noun plural suffix **-mə** without the verbal suffix **-ka-**. This pattern is used in both **possessor** and **habitual-performer** derived noun. That is:

dual possessor	dual habitual actor
<i>kani-gya-tu-mə</i> ‘two home-owners’	<i>wáaka-mi-tu-mə</i> ‘two workers’
<i>piwa-gha-tu-mə</i> ‘two married persons’	<i>pə’ə-mi-tu-mə</i> ‘two writers’
<i>puku-gwa-tu-mə</i> ‘two horse-owners’	<i>káa-mi-tu-mə</i> ‘two singers’
<i>pua-gha-tu-mə</i> ‘two medicine-men’	<i>təna-mi-tu-mə</i> ‘two hunters’

(c) First-syllable reduplication

A small group of human nouns show a plural-formation pattern that is probably the oldest historically – the **reduplication** of the first syllable of the noun. In this pattern, when the simple noun stem is combined with the plural suffix **-u**, the dual meaning is obtained. Combining reduplication and the suffix **-u** yields the **plural** meaning. That is:

singular	dual	plural
<i>ta’wa-chí</i> ‘man’	<i>ta’wa-chi-u</i> ‘two men’	<i>táa-ta’wa-chi-u</i> ‘men’
<i>mama-chí</i> ‘woman’	<i>mama-chi-u</i> ‘two women’	<i>máa-ma-chi-u</i> ‘women’
<i>áapa-chí</i> ‘boy’	<i>áapachi-u</i> ‘two boys’	<i>’áa-’apa-chi-u</i> ‘boys’
<i>na’achi-chí</i> ‘girl’	<i>na’achi-chi-u</i> ‘two girls’	<i>náa-na’achi-chi-u</i> ‘girls’
<i>nanapə-chí</i> ‘old man’	<i>nanapə-chi-u</i> ‘two old men’	<i>náa-napə-chi-u</i> ‘old men’

First-syllable reduplication may also combine with the plural suffix **-mə**. That is:

singular	dual	plural
<i>puwa-gha-tu</i> ‘medicine man’	<i>puwa-gha-tu-mə</i> ‘two medicine men’	<i>pu-vua-gha-tu-mə</i> ‘medicine-men’
<i>kani-gya-tu</i> ‘home-owner’	<i>kani-gya-tu-mə</i> ‘two home-owners’	<i>ka-ghani-gya-tu-mə</i> ‘home-owners’

In the following column we will discuss the next important word-class in Ute, **adjectives**.

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Important dates to remember

May 24

- Ignacio School District, students’ last day
- So. Ute Head Start Graduation
- SUIMA Transition

May 25

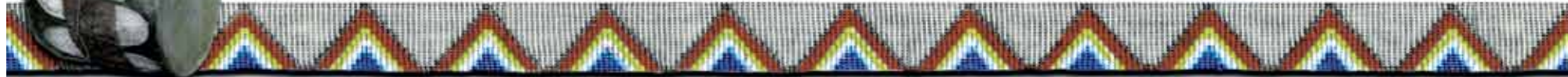
- Southern Ute Bear Dance begins
- So. Ute Head Start, students’ last day
- SUIMA, students’ last day

May 26

- Ignacio High School Graduation

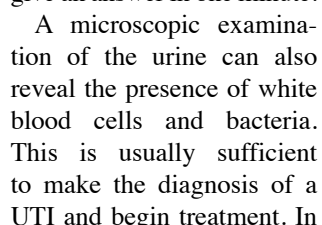
May 28

- Memorial Day
- Day of Remembrance
- Southern Ute Bear Dance Feast
- Tribal offices closed



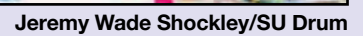
Urinary tract infections

The diagnosis of a UTI can usually be made in uncomplimentary



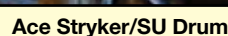
Recurrent UTIs in women without a detectable underlying cause can sometimes be avoided by stopping the use of a contraceptive diaphragm and changing to another form of birth control, and by urinating and increasing fluid intake immediately after sexual intercourse. There is also some evidence that cranberry products may decrease the tendency to recurrent UTIs.

Elders working together



Dell Solomon, Ella-Louise Weaver, and Annabelle Eagle (left to right) work together to craft Mother's Day cards at the Southern Ute Multi-purpose Facility on Friday, May 4. The tribal elders participate in various craft-related workshops through out the year.

All donors will be eligible for 1/2 day of administrative leave. To schedule an appointment please contact Anna-Marie Garcia at 970-563-0100 ext. 2208 or amgarcia@southern-ute.nsn.us.



Lt. Tom Boyce of the Southern Ute Police Department reports an uptick in domestic violence calls on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation during a Violence Prevention Coalition of Southwest Colorado meeting on Thursday, May 10 at the Ignacio Community Library. Law enforcement representatives from Ignacio Bayfield, and Durango said they've seen similar trends in both domestic violence and sexual assault over the past several months.



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New Mexico's Shiprock formation can be seen in the distance as walkers from Utah and Colorado make their way to the Four Corners.



Southern Ute Indian Tribal Councilman Howard D. Richards Sr. greets the walkers during the lunch break.



Utah and Colorado walkers stop for lunch at the Junction of U.S. Hwy. 160 and County Rd. 41.



Walkers get their blood pumping and their muscles loosened prior to the walk.

Various tribes of the Four Corners states participated in the annual Walking Together for Healthier Nations event on Friday, May 4. The walk began at three different locations in three different states — Aneth in Utah, Red Mesa in Arizona, and the U.S. Hwy. 160 and U.S. Hwy. 491 junction in Colorado — leading everyone to the Four Corners Monument.

Photos by Robert L. Ortiz
The Southern Ute Drum



A U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs police cruiser escorts walkers down the hill before crossing the San Juan River.



The group from Red Mesa converges with the Colorado and Utah groups as they cross the cattle guard toward the final stop and the Four Corners Monument.



Bradley Hight (left), Ernest House Jr. (center) and Dewitte Baker (right) lead the group.



Walkers had plenty of time to think during the 19-mile walk from Colorado, complete as many miles as they could.



The Colorado and Utah groups cross the San Juan River.



Pizza with a western twist



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

On Tuesday, May 8, students from Ignacio High School spent the morning making pizzas from scratch as part of an educational workshop on beef sponsored by the La Plata County Cowbelles. The Cowbelles are a social, educational group of woman who promote beef through community outreach programs.

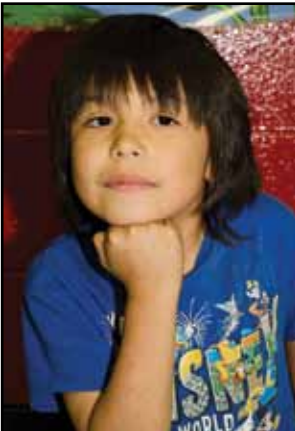
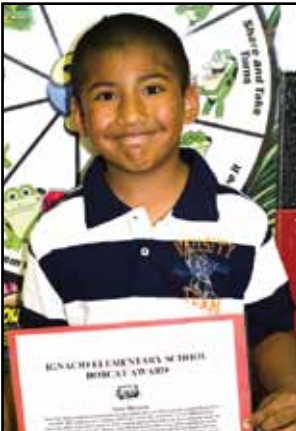


Members of the Cowbelles use the whiteboard to explain the significance of cattle brands to the students.

Students made individual pizzas with their own choice of toppings, including cubes of marinated top sirloin.



BOBCATS OF THE MONTH



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

These Ignacio Elementary School students were honored as Bobcats of the Month for March for their helpfulness, attitude in class and willingness to learn: Sie Chackee, Layla Cuthair, D'Vondra Garcia, Joseph Garcia, Isaac Herrera, Cyrus Naranjo, Alexis Ortiz and Ouray Watts.

EDUCATION UPDATE

EDUCATION ANNOUNCES GED TEST DATES

The Department of Education would like to announce the GED test dates for the upcoming months: June 1, July 13 and August 3. The test is held the first Friday of every month at the Southern Ute Education Building at 330 Burns Ave. Registration and payments are due by Tuesday before the test. Scholarships are available for Native Americans who live within 50 miles of the service area, spend 12 hours in class, score a 450 on practice tests and submit paperwork two weeks in advance. For more information, call Pine River Community Learning Center at 970-563-0681 or Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 or 970-749-1953. Also, the Education Department has an online GED Academy classroom that is available for at home GED test preparation. Please call Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 ext. 2784 or 970-749-1953 for passwords. There is a minimum time requirement each week to be allowed to use this program. **The GED test will be changing January 2014. All previous test scores will be thrown out and students will need to retake all 5 sections. It is important that students complete all 5 sections of their GED before the January 2014 date.**

EDUCATION ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP NOTICES

The Southern Ute Education Dept. will be having an informational scholarship meeting. These meetings will go over scholarship policies, deadlines and answer any questions students may have about college and applications. These meetings will be held Tuesday, May 15 and Tuesday, May 22 at 5:30 p.m. at the Southern Ute Education Department.

The Southern Ute Education Dept. would also like to announce that the deadline for Full Time scholarship requests for the 2012-2013 academic school year will be July 2 at 5 p.m. Incomplete or late applications WILL NOT be considered for full time. NO EXCEPTIONS!!

Youth in Action Summer Programs Sponsored by The Southern Ute Education Department Turn Boring Days into Sunny Days – Sign up NOW!!!

Sign up to participate in the 3rd annual Youth in Action Program
Eligible students: Southern Ute Tribal members, Registered JOM, 1st Generation So. Ute
Sign up Now – spaces are limited – first come basis
First Deadline was May 18, Final Deadline – June 1, 2012
Call for more information (563-0237) and/or to request a registration packet

Elementary Grade

June 4-5 Entering gr. 1-3 Tutoring available upon request

Maximum 7 students for 2 sessions listed below:

June 19-22 Entering gr. K-1 Field trips, cultural activities, James Ranch and more

June 26-29 Entering gr. 2-3 Field trips, cultural activities, Mine Tour and more

Intermediate Grades

Entering grades 4,5,6 Maximum 10 students

July 10-13 Girls Only – Scrapbooking, hiking, Rites of Passage, trail ride, Pagosa Hot Springs, cooking demo

July 17-20 Boys Only - Hiking, swimming, Rites of Passage, trail ride, Pagosa Hot Springs, cooking demo, paintball

Junior High Grades

Entering grades 7,8,9 Maximum 10 students

July 24-27 Scrapbooking, cooking demo for lunch, Chimney Rock, Pagosa Hot Springs, Anasazi Heritage Museum, Cortez Outdoor Swimming Pool, trail ride, paintball

4th through 9th Grades

Only for students who have participated in one of the above sessions

Maximum 10 students

July 30 – Aug 1 Crow Canyon Summer Finale 3 days/2 nights

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2012 Youth Employment Program

The Tribe's Youth Employment Program(YEP) provides tribal member students between the ages of 14 and 18 with summer employment. Different tribal departments as well as other local organizations have been very helpful in employing students each year in a variety of entry-level jobs. The Summer Youth Employment Program's goal is to emphasize real work labor expectations, increase awareness of services within the tribe and community, provide awareness of career opportunities.

Tribal students need to be 14 years of age by May 29, in order to be considered for employment. The Tribe allocated 40 youth employment slots and it is on a First-come-first-serve basis. This year's YEP applications will be online through the Tribe's Human Resource Department and we will be walking the students through this process starting May 7 – 29 at the Education Building-Computer Lab from 3:30 – 5 p.m. Please call YEP at 970-563-0237 to set up an appointment to complete the application.

This year's Youth Employment Program staff is Alex Cloud, YEP Coordinator and Louise Wilson, Program Assistant.

Mother's Day cards from scratch



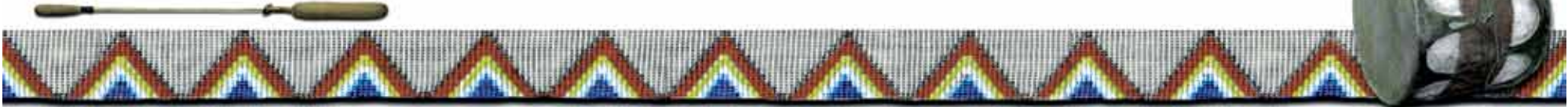
Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

As part of its ongoing partnership with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, the Durango Discovery Museum hosted an educational clinic for students at the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy on Thursday, May 10 with a hands-on curriculum for the kids.



Students used recycled, pulped paper, mixed with flower seeds, to press and dry their own card stock for Mother's Day.

Photosynthesis was one of the reoccurring themes throughout the workshop. Tree leaves were used to create impressions on paper during the group activity.



SUIMA students get rowdy



The bouncing castle made a return appearance for this year's Field Day events.



While the oldest students were getting rowdy, the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy's toddlers were given a chance to enjoy the day — and the water — as even the youngest students played in the sprinklers.



Students let loose for their annual Field Day events on the SunUte Community Center's multipurpose field on Friday, May 11.



Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Lady Ramona Eagle spent time enjoying the student activities, even lending a hand as the youngest ones tried out things like tug-of-war.



Tug-of-war was competitive for the children, but perhaps even more so once parents were given the ropes.

Photos by Jeremy Wade Shockley
The Southern Ute Drum



Parents, teachers and students really mixed it up for this outdoor event, which culminated with a picnic-style lunch of barbecue and fresh greens.



No matter the age, running through the sprinklers is always a favorite.



The shaving cream relay race was a hit with the older crowd; some even took the event one step further, smearing themselves with the thick white foam.



IHS BASEBALL

Eagles erase Bobcats in playoffs

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Air usually grows rare where Eagles dare.

But for the first half-inning on Saturday, May 5, the Bobcats breathed of it deeply, as they'd done two years ago in a breathtaking triumph over Paonia High to win the 2A-District 2 title. Paonia, however, exacted revenge the following week at regionals in Alamosa, and then again at D-2 last May in Grand Junction.

"Looking to tie the series at two to two," quipped Ignacio senior Jesse Vigil prior to warm-ups on McAndrew Field at Parque de Vida in Cortez. San Juan Basin League brother Dolores had just been emphatically re-tired until 2013, ending on the invisible end of a 7-0 no-hitter dealt them by Rangely.

Impressive, yes. But not so much in the eye of the Eagles, who, for some reason, entered the weekend unranked — not even as a "receiving votes" team — in the most recent Denver Post/CHSCA poll, and who'd already beaten the Panthers four times in four tries this season.

But to force a fifth, Paonia's boys — many of whom playing their fourth contest against the Cats — had to first respond to Ignacio's opening. Freshman Iaasic Pena wore a Derek Heiniger pitch after leadoff man Jeff Herrera struck out, then senior Tyler Young singled to center. Vigil then loaded the bases with a short single to right, and Pena scored on a wild pitch thrown to five-hole hitter Clayton Jefferson.

Jefferson then fanned, but Young came home on an errant delivery to Sonny Sanchez before Vigil was caught for out number three, 1-2-5 in the scorebook when Sanchez bounced back to Heiniger.

The veteran-laden Eagles knew how to finish that thought, starting a seven-run rally with singles by K.C. Christian and Tyler Kendall off Young. Kendall was retired, 6-4 at second, on a fielders-choice bouncer to Pena at short, but batter Dustin Braslin, Landon Long and Keaton Kropp would all touch home in succession. Kropp crossed on a triple to right by Heiniger (2-3, 2 R, RBI), batting seventh.

"They got a couple hits on us and that just put our heads



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Iaasic Pena tiptoes to the plate against Paonia to score on a wild pitch just before the PHS catcher's throw back to pitcher Derek Heiniger (right) arrives.

down," Pena said. "And you can't do that; you've got to keep your heads up at all times."

"That's how we like to get up on teams: come out hitting hard, you know?" said Braslin, nephew of former PHS skipper Andy Braslin, replaced this season by Andrew Potter. "They scored two runs right off the bat. ... We knew we just had to calm down and relax, go out there and play."

"I just couldn't get a hold of my fastball with my injury," said Young (L; CG, 18 H, 5 K, 2 BB), throwing with a noticeably swollen right index finger and a bum hamstring. "Thought we could have played better defense, but we didn't do too bad on the offensive end."

"We were just relaxed and hit the ball," Kendall said. "Everybody likes a different pitch, I guess, and he was throwing them for us."

Heiniger (W; 3 IP, 2 H, 2 ER, 4 K, 0 BB) then sat Ignacio's Antonio Torres de Silva, Adison Jones and Matthew Silva in succession for a quick second inning of work, and allowed only Pena to reach — on an error by Christian at short — before being lifted after three frames for reliever Taylor Katzer. Katzer then mowed through Paco Mounts — batting for Jefferson — Sanchez and Torres de Silva to easily protect what had become a 12-run advantage for PHS (16-5-1).

The lead, 14-2, would stand as the season-ending deficit for the Bobcats, who had just one player stand in for a third plate appearance. But Herrera wasn't going quietly, and poked a two-out single to right off Katzer (2 IP, 4 K), joining fellow

seniors Vigil and Young in booking one last basehit.

Keeping his cool, Katzer coldly ended the affair with a 1-3 pickoff of the speedy catcher, likely with a green light to run and Pena in the batter's box.

"We want a state championship, but it's hard to get seeded good because they [CHSAA] changed it up," Braslin said. "So we wanted to make a statement here ... get a better seed for regionals."

"Yeah, we've just been getting better and better, won fifteen of our last seventeen," Potter said after Paonia pummeled Rangely, 17-3, to win the D-2 title. "The games we lost were to 4A [Moffat County, Delta, two to Steamboat Springs] and one 3A [Hotchkiss], so we feel confident moving forward."

"Pitching was great today and the defense behind it was when they did hit," he added.

Kropp went 2-2 with a walk against Ignacio (3-14 overall), scoring twice and driving in three. Kendall and catcher Jacob Leon each went 3-for-3. Braslin was 1-3 but scored three times and plated two.

"It's kind of weird thinking it's my last game and everything," said Young, joined by Vigil, Herrera, Silva and Sanchez in playing their last for the red-and-white, "but I'll move on ... and just hope the best for everybody."

"We're a young team, you know," Pena said optimistically for 2013. "So our young guys will come out stronger next year. We'll have some good players. Good defense, good hitting."

IHS GIRLS' SOCCER

Lady Cats routed in finale

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Minus two key cogs, there just weren't enough teeth in Ignacio's gears to match the speed of quick-strike Pagosa Springs in the season finale for both squads on Friday, May 4 at Golden Peaks Stadium.

"We started off kind of weak, but in the second half I felt we came stronger — but they only had three goals left to score," said senior Abeth Okall, acknowledging the absence of junior midfielder Destinee Lucero and sophomore fullback Jasmine Red. "I felt better, put 110 [percent] into that half."

As did classmates Carly Barborinas and Shawnn Troup, battling opposing seniors Lauren Greer, Brooklynn DuCharme and Sydney Aragon for one last chance at victory in the 3A Southwestern League. But in front of an appreciative home crowd on Senior Day, the Lady Pirates' mistakes made amid chilling weather conditions at IHS Field 20 days before were not repeated.

Not even a full two minutes into the contest, Pagosa Springs sophomore Anissa Lucero broke through Ignacio's back-liners to score the eventual match-winner past goalkeeper Nicole Williams, and classmate Maddy Davey netted the only required insurance marker in the seventh, en route to a 10-0 rout finalized by freshman Johannah Laverty's clincher in the 58th.

"I came into this game ... just wanted to play my hardest," Barborinas said after watching head coach Andrew Fenity receive a dousing of the remaining contents from inside the team's water cooler, courtesy junior Mary Kate Adams. "I think that's what I did. All the seniors played their hardest and ... played for each other before we went out."



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Seeking possession, Ignacio's Abeth Okall (7) trades a high boot for a high boot with Pagosa Springs' Maddy Davey (2) during the teams' 2012 season finale on Friday, May 4.

Ignacio (1-11, 1-11 SWL) made numerous intrusions into Pagosa territory, but managed just one shot — by sophomore mid Cheyenne Cook — at, but not on, second-stringer Maria Cam-puzano.

DuCharme (14', 54') and Aragon (25'), meanwhile, stretched the strings to play themselves off into the Archuleta County sunset on high notes, and Greer recorded an assist on junior Katie Blue's 21st-minute strike. Lucero took an assist from Laverty to mark in the 27th, and Laverty scored in the 38th to put PSHS (4-9, 4-8) ahead 7-nil at halftime.

Finishing her hat trick, Lucero began the second-half scoring in the 48th minute. Williams finished with 13 total saves as the Lady Pirates fired 28 shots, 20 from bow to stern across the goal frame.

"I'm going to really miss it. It was worth it, and I really enjoyed it," said Troup, whose sister Aly will be a senior in 2013. "I think that we really have grown as a team. I love each and every one of them so very much ... and I'm really sad that I won't be able to play again."

"I think this year we really got our heads up, passed to each other instead of playing kickball ... more than in other years," Barborinas said. "This was

our last game, the last we'll ever play with these guys. So we just decided to play our hardest, no matter what happened."

"We were just joking that it might be the last game for everyone because it's 2012," Okall said. "If the world ends ... there will be no more soccer for anyone!"

"If the world is still alive," Troup said, "I think that we will have a very good fighting chance [in 2013]. They will have all been playing together already, know how to work with each other, and there's always room for freshmen to come up."

"You grow so much," Okall said of the IHS soccer experience, "but you have to be dedicated. ... Our program builds character, which is good. So even if you're not winning, your character is getting so strong and you know how to deal with a lot of stuff. We don't take anything for granted."

That includes the very possibility of a "next season," something the Lady Bobcats' departing trio helped ensure through their own grassroots recruiting of friends in the school hallways.

"I will be coming back to support them," Troup said. "I hope they stay together as a team and don't let the program fall."

IHS BOYS' TRACK & FIELD

Throwers are solid State bids

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

It's been said that first-place hopes in any sport ride on a wing and a prayer.

So it's probably a good omen that the Ignacio High boys' best chances to take home a high medal at this weekend's Class 2A State Track & Field Championships will be packing their strongest of both.

Senior Shane Richmond already showed his are working quite well, winning the shot put and finishing fifth in the discus at last week's San Juan Basin League/Western Slope League Championships in Grand Junction, with classmate Colton Wyatt fourth in the latter and fifth in the former.

Richmond's 44'8.5" heave of the shot bested 38 other competitors, including runner-up Roger Liljegren of Telluride by six inches and Wyatt by 62, while senior Dusty Mangus cleared 12'7" before Mack Cooper of Edwards-based Vail Christian in the pole vault for Ignacio's other individual title.

Richmond (124'9") again bettered Liljegren (122'3")

when it came to the discus, but both trailed Wyatt (129'8"), Paonia's Morgan Rieder (130'), Ouray's Kyle Cotton (130'6") and champ Jaron Ragsdale of Norwood (competing for the Telluride/Norwood "TNT" squad; 131'4").

Ignacio junior Austin Haire crept into the top ten with a throw of 114'10", establishing the discipline as the Bobcats' best using multiple entries—save for the 4x100-meter relay (Mangus/Wyatt/Haire/Teagan Overturf), which clocked 47.47 seconds and placed sixth out of 12 (including Mancos' winning 45.80).

Mangus' versatility was a plus for Ignacio as he took fifth in the 100-meter dash, dialing in a 12.06-second pass in the finals, after running 11.98 to earn the eighth and final qualifying spot. Meeker's Toby Casias won in 11.37 seconds, by comparison, with Mancos' Branson Mitchell fourth in 11.89. Wyatt (12.33) finished 14th in the 44-man preliminaries, the largest field in which Ignacio was represented, save for the 51-com-petitor discus and the 45-competing 200 meters.

In the 200 meters, sopho-

more Adam Herrera posted a preliminary 24.15 and Mangus a 24.41 to both make the final heat, but only Mangus (sixth, 24.25) finished. Telluride's Conner Courter (seventh, 24.28) was bumped into the finals in place of Herrera, likely still fighting a nagging injury. Casias captured first, running a 23.46.

Ignacio's only other top-ten finish came courtesy of Overturf, eighth in the pole vault (9'1").

Haire, unable to register a minimum height in the pole vault, narrowly missed the finals of the 400-meter dash with his 11th-place preliminary time of 57.54 seconds, about 2.4 slower than Dolores' Ryan Johnston, the eventual eighth qualifier. Teddy Grundy of Collbran-based Plateau Valley swept the prelims (51.42) and the finals (51.15).

Also, Greg Bison was a top-20 in the shot with a 32'0.5", ahead of Nucla's Cris Ray (31'10").

Representing IHS in state action will be Herrera in the 400 meters and long jump, Overturf and Mangus in the pole vault, Richmond in the shot and disc, and Wyatt in the disc.

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27.77 seconds in trailing Telluride's Jo Bush (26.19) and runner-up Cassie Lard (26.57) of Dolores.

Simmons also took fourth in the 100 in 13.33 seconds, trailing Bush's winning 12.92, the 12.94 of runner-up Rayarenee Wright from Plateau Valley (Collbran), and the 12.97 of Dolores' Lexi Atkinson.

Kiana Thompson managed an 18th-place throw of 75'9" in the discus, and teammate Jayce Stricherz finished 20th with 71'3". Meeker's Bailey Atwood was first with a best of 104'9".

At 19'10", Thompson had the Lady Bobcats' only result in the shot put, placing 24th of 32 total entrants. Rangely's Holly Lepro was

the winner (38'1.5") and Paonia's Morgan Hartigan followed at 35'5", with Atwood (35'3.75") taking third.

Carrying the Ignacio name into this weekend's State Track & Field Championships at Jeffco Stadium in Lakewood will be Simmons in the 100, 200 and high jump, and Cotton in the long jump.

SETTING THE TABLE(S)

Standings FINAL as of May 13, 2012

Girls' Soccer: 3A Southwestern League							
OVERALL				SWL			
Team	W	L	T	Pct.	W	L	T
Bayfield**	15	1	1	.882	11	0	1
Ridgway*	11	4	0	.733	9	3	0
Telluride*	11	3	2	.687	8	2	2
Alamosa	9	5	1	.600	6	5	1
Pagosa Spgs.	4	9	0	.308	4	8	0
IGNACIO	1	11	0	.083	1	11	0
Center	1	12	0	.077	1	11	0

**SWL champions, eliminated in State Tournament "Sweet 16."
*Eliminated in State Tournament "Round of 32."

Baseball: 2A/1A San Juan Basin League							
OVERALL				SJBL			
Team	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	W
Nucla	8	11	.421	6	3		
Dolores	7	11	.389	6	3		
Dove Creek*	6	12	.333	4	5		
IGNACIO	3	14	.176	2	7		

*1A-District 1 champions, eliminated in State Tournament "Great Eight."

— compiled by Joel Priest



WISHES & CONGRATS



HAPPY 8TH BIRTHDAY EZEKIEL JORDIN HOWELL

Wow! Here we are another year has come and gone! Ez you have grown so much in the past year, and you make us all so proud of all the things you've done and continue to do. You're only 8 but you have accomplished so much in your 8 years with us! You are the best son I could ever ask for! I'm proud that you have decided to dance I hope that you stay with it and continue on that path :) I hope that you had a great party and enjoyed being with the people that love and support you. Keep up the good work in everything you do. Happy 8th birthday Ez. We Love you very much!

*Love Always,
Mom, Daddy & Brother*

CONGRATULATIONS XAVIER

You have grown so much in the past year and you make us so proud of all the things you've done and continue to do. You are the best son and brother we could have ever asked for. We wish you all the best life has to offer, you can do anything you set your mind to. We love you and are so very proud of you.

*Love
Ken, Geneva, Avi and Ebs*



CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR GRADUATION XAVIER WATTS

Always be proud of your achievements, and use them to fulfill your dreams. We are proud of all your accomplishments. Stay committed to your dreams and they, too, will become reality. One last lesson as you prepare for the world. Always be true to yourself.

*We love you,
Grandma Gloria and Grandpa Green
and Niko*

WISHING EBONY GOMEZ A HAPPY 9TH BIRTHDAY ON JUNE 4

You know those memories that make you laugh out loud? I hope you make many new ones on your birthday.

*Love your Brother Xavier
and sister Avionne*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY OUR LITTLE GIRL, EBONY GOMEZ

We can't imagine our world without you, your loving heart brightens the lives of all who know you. May this be your happiest birthday ever.

*We love you,
Happy 9th birthday - Mom and Dad*

EBONY

We're wishing you a day that holds all the happiness your heart can imagine, happy birthday.

*Love,
Grandma Gloria and Grandpa Green
and lil man Niko*

I LOVE YOU GRANDMA SUCH A LOT

You mean the world to me
You're patient, kind and full of fun
And thoughtful as can be
You help me out and give advice
You're there when times are bad
You buy me treats and things I need
And hug me when I'm sad.
But best of all, we're special pals
And as today's for you
It seems the perfect time to say
'You're Wonderful'...it's true!
Happy Birthday Grandma Yvette on May 22

*Love your grandbabies,
Avanna Mae & Isaias Rayan "Sonny"*

MY PRECIOUS AUNT

It is your special day so I sincerely wish for you a birthday filled with love and joy and dreams that all come true! Happy Birthday Aunty Debbie on May 21.

*Love your great niece Avanna Mae "Vannie
pannie" & Isaias Rayan "Guapo"*



HAPPY 3RD BIRTHDAY TO THE MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL I KNOW

I'm so happy I have the privilege to be your mother and watch you grow every day. You are such a loving, caring, polite, very smart & amazing little girl. Thank you for always keeping a smile on our face & being such an awesome big sister. We love you with all we have and hope that your day is everything you have asked for. "Jaelyn are you happy?"

*Love you always and forever,
Mommy & Keyon*

TRIBAL OBITUARIES



SCOTT – Known as Slick, Mr. Scott Sr. was born Aug. 31, 1956, at Mercy Hospital in Durango and was adopted by Walter M. and Anna Marie Scott. He was raised in Ignacio and graduated from Ignacio High School in the early 1970s.

During the mid-1970s, Mr. Scott Sr. married Darise Lammon and the couple had a son, Matthew Scott. The marriage ended in divorce. He later had his second son, Clayborn Scott Jr., with his partner Christina Moore. The couple later separated. In the mid-1990s he married Tammy Perambo-Scott and the marriage resulted in his third son, Randy Scott. Ms. Perambo-Scott preceded Mr. Scott Sr. in death.

On Jan. 2, 2006, Mr. Scott Sr. married Rose Silva. Later the same year, on Nov. 19, he suffered a brain injury in a serious motorcycle accident.

Mr. Scott Sr. was an enrolled member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. "He enjoyed life and all its changes, was quick to smile and joke and always knew how to have a good time," his family said.

"Clayborn loved to raise heck," they said. "He was always in some kind of trouble, but that's what made him Slick. He was kind and loving and had a big heart, strong back and lots of guts. He wouldn't back down from anything if he believed it was the right thing to do."

Mr. Scott Sr. was preceded in death by his second wife, Tammy Perambo-Scott. He is survived by his wife, Rose Silva, of Ignacio; mother, Anna Marie Scott, of Ignacio; sisters Roberta Scott, Dora Howe and Josephine Hight, all of Ignacio; brother, Daniel Weaver, of Ignacio; sons Matthew Scott of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Clayborn Scott Jr. and Randy Scott, both of Ignacio; and ex-wife Darise Lammon of Maryland.

A celebration of life was held Tuesday, May 15, 2012, at St. Ignatius Catholic Church with a meal immediately after at the Ignacio multi-purpose center.

(This obituary is a copy of the original which was published in the Durango, Herald on May 14, 2012)

CHIMNEY ROCK • FROM PAGE 1

significant cultural site managed by the Forest Service nationwide, yet it lacks a designation equal to that stature," the letter read. "A National Monument designation would not only give Chimney Rock the true recognition it deserves, but would also help secure the economic future of the region."

Several local stakeholders followed with letters of their own to the president, including Pagosa Springs Mayor Ross Aragon.

"Despite its well-recognized historic and cultural values, and the generous efforts of our community's volunteers, Chimney Rock lacks the protection it deserves," he wrote. "National Monument designation would provide that protection, and help to ensure the area's stewardship into the future."

The Board of County Commissioners of Archuleta County also sent a letter, arguing the economic benefits

the area could see.

"The greater recognition and visibility associated with National Monument designation for Chimney Rock will add heritage tourism to the list of key economic drivers, bolstering our county's tourism businesses that continue to struggle with the lagging recession," the board wrote.

On Monday, May 7, the National Trust for Historic Preservation threw its hat into the ring when President Stephanie K. Meeks sent her own letter.

"National monument designation would be a win-win for this nationally important cultural site, the community, tribes and the public," she wrote. "A designation would attract public attention and increase heritage tourism to Archuleta County and the Four Corners area while retaining the traditional practices of the Native American tribes and Pueblos."

Sitting in on the Friday

meeting at the fairgrounds were Bennet, Tipton, and U.S. Department of Agriculture Undersecretary Harris Sherman. Twenty-three people spoke in favor of the National Monument designation and just one against it, according to the trust.

The motion also gained the support of Dan Randolph, executive director of the San Juan Citizens Alliance, in the form of a column titled "Chimney Rock National Monument now!" in the Durango Herald Last week.

"Chimney Rock, with its important historical and cultural significance, is a perfect example of what the [Antiquities Act] was intended to protect," he wrote.

Other Forest Service National Monuments include the Giant Sequoia National Monument in California, the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument in Washington, and the Admiralty Island National Monument in Alaska.

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Local public schools sample Ute culture



Students learn to Bear Dance under the guidance of Southern Ute tribal members Eleanor Frost and Nathan Strong Elk during the Fine Arts Week “finale” held at the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum. Students from regional schools travelled to Ignacio on Monday, May 7 to participate.



Face painting was one of six stations open to visiting students at the museum. Participating schools included Dove Creek, Dolores, Nucla, Norwood and Ignacio.



Robert “Dude” Perry helped students make frybread from start to finish in the museum’s kitchen. Participating schools were served Indian tacos as part of their curriculum once the full day of sessions came to an end. Student frybread was used in the process.



Howard “Howie” Richards III led a cultural session on storytelling. Participants read aloud short stories and poems from Shel Silverstein’s famous volume, “Where the Sidewalk Ends.”

Photos by Jeremy Wade Shockley
The Southern Ute Drum

2012 TRI-UTE GAMES

When: July 24th - 27th, 2012

Where: Towaoc, Co

Sports: Basketball, Volleyball, Golf, Archery, Bowling, Swimming, Cross Country, Ultimate Warrior (Triathlon), Skateboard, Hand Game

Who: Enrolled Tribal members and Tribal Descendants

Age Groups: 9-18

The purpose of the games is to come together so our children can get to know each other better, to foster friendship between the Northern Ute, Southern Ute, and the Ute Mountain Ute tribes.

For more information please contact the SunUte Recreation Department.

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****Coaches/ Volunteers needed****

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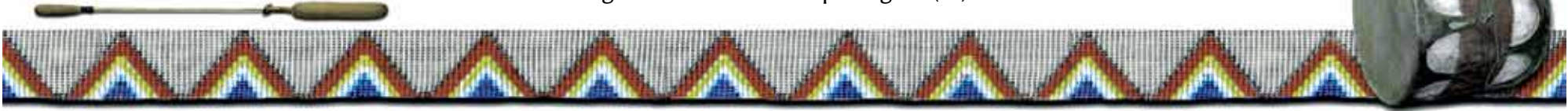
“FIRST COME- FIRST SERVE”

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CONTACT:

Alex Cloud or Louise Wilson for more information

563-0237 (Education Dept.)



Red Willow rings in 20 years, Cajun-style



World-class zydeco music ensemble BeauSoleil performs during Red Willow's 20th anniversary celebration, which took place Friday, May 4 at the Sky Ute Fairgrounds. The Cajun music group hails from Lafayette, La.



Growth Fund Executive Director Bruce Valdez welcomes employees to the anniversary celebrations for Red Willow.



Southern Ute Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr. and Growth Fund Operating Director Bob Zahradnik gave opening remarks to kick off the Red Willow Production Co.'s 20-year celebration.



Hats and scarves embossed with the Red Willow logo were handed out to attendees during the anniversary celebration.



Employees of the Southern Ute Growth Fund reminisce with Operating Director Bob Zahradnik.

Photos by Jeremy Wade Shockley
The Southern Ute Drum



Tribal dignitaries visiting the Southern Ute Indian Reservation partake in the festivities.



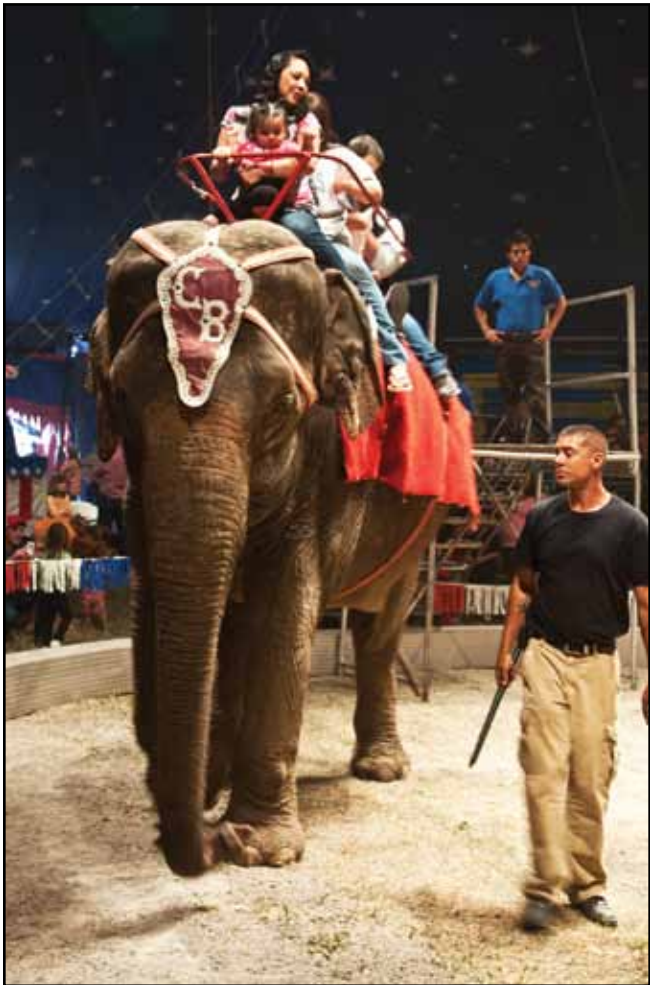
Southern Ute tribal members clap in recognition of the success enjoyed by the tribe in the energy sector.



Southern Ute drum group 12 Gauge performs an honor song during the opening ceremonies for Red Willow's anniversary celebration.



Performers defy gravity on the Wheel of Destiny.



Lilly was a popular attraction, providing many rides.

The Carson & Barnes



An entourage of splendor and beauty, as the circus came to a close.

The Carson & Barnes Circus came to town on Thursday, May 10, bringing with it clowns, animals, and performers who provided laughs, smiles and oohs and ahhs. The one-day circus set up the big top on the infield of the Sky Ute Fairgrounds and provided two shows in Ignacio.



Children enjoy the Petting Zoo as they feed the animals.

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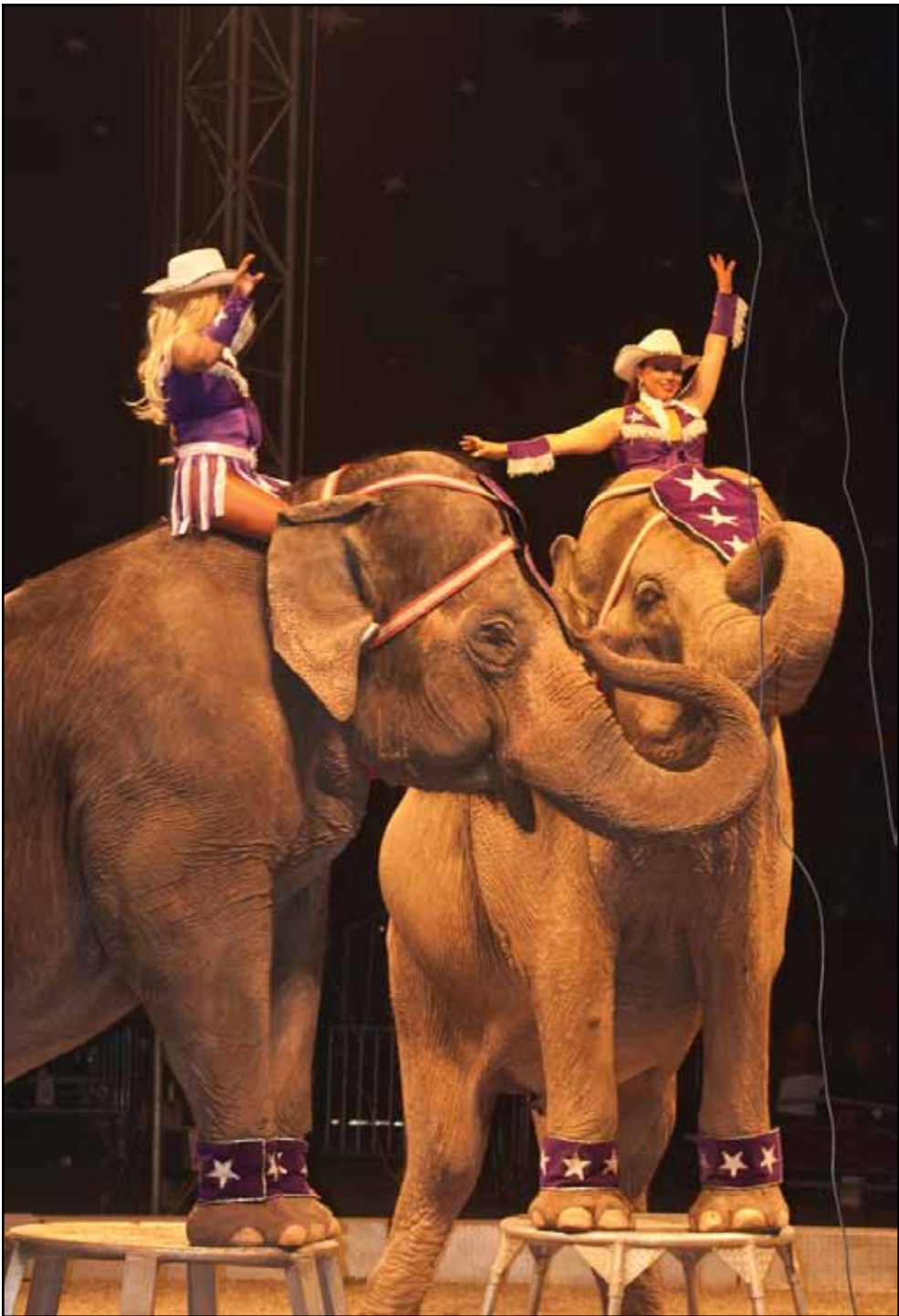
Enjoy a night of live Rock-n-Roll music on Saturday, May 19, 2012 at the first ever Sky Ute Casino RockFest.

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Beauties upon the beasts during one of the performances at the circus.



Children enjoy the pony rides during intermission.



Beautiful butterflies take the center ring, displaying their colors before taking flight.

Circus comes to town



She's got talent, spinning dozens of hoops at once.



The Herrera family enjoys the midway after the first showing.

Since Carson & Barnes began its tradition in 1937, the troupe has traveled over a million miles. This season, the circus will visit more than 200 towns through eight states.

Photos by Robert L. Ortiz
The Southern Ute Drum



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Positive role models



Christopher R. Rizzo/SU Drum

Clarence Smith and Crystal Thompson were honored on Tuesday, May 8 for their work with local youth. Each received a certificate and gift card from the Town of Ignacio at Town Hall.

NATIONAL NATIVE AFFAIRS

House passes antiviolenence act with weakened tribal provisions

NCAI voices strong concerns on bill

Media release
NATIONAL CONGRESS OF
AMERICAN INDIANS

The U.S. House of Representatives voted and passed a version of the Violence Against Women Act reauthorization on Wednesday, May 16 without any of the key tribal jurisdictional provisions intact.

The National Congress of American Indians has serious concerns about the alternative provisions contained in the House bill and is calling on the House and Senate to restore the bipartisan and constitutionally sound tribal provisions in the Senate version of the bill that create local solutions to the epidemic of domestic violence experienced by Native women.

“Native women aren’t safer as a result of the passage of H.R. 4970. In fact, the tribal provisions included in this bill create additional hurdles for Indian women seeking protection from violence on tribal lands, and that is unacceptable,” said Juana Majel-Dixon, first

vice president of NACI and co-chair of the NCAI Task Force on Violence Against Women. “Indian Country supports the bipartisan Senate VAWA bill, which contains constitutionally sound tribal provisions that provide local solutions that will deliver long-overdue justice to Native women and safety to tribal communities.”

Passed by a vote of 222-205, the tribal provisions included in H.R. 4970 would be a step backward in contrast to the bipartisan Senate VAWA bill, supported by NCAI and tribes across the country. Over the past few days, H.R. 4970 has been amended to include provisions that have the potential to cause great confusion surrounding tribes’ authority to issue civil protection orders and that could further endanger Native victims.

H.R. 4970 would “federalize” the issuance and enforcement of protection orders for Native victims, authorizing Indian victims of domestic violence or Indian tribes on behalf of Indian victims to

seek protection orders from U.S. district courts against suspects of abuse.

This approach fails to address the crux of the problem: a lack of local authority to handle misdemeanor level domestic and dating violence when the perpetrator is non-Indian. The legislation passed by the House is drafted in a way that undermines the safety and autonomy of victims.

On the other hand, S. 1925 contains key tribal provisions that would empower the governmental authorities closest to the alleged criminal activity — tribal police and courts — to intervene early in acts of domestic violence committed by non-Indians within the tribe’s territory, before the violence escalates to the point of serious assault or homicide.

These provisions are limited in scope, do not infringe on existing federal or state court jurisdiction, and defendants who stand trial before a tribal court would have the full panoply of constitutional rights.

NATIONAL NATIVE AFFAIRS

NCAI praises House passage of HEARTH Act, urges swift Senate action

Media release
NATIONAL CONGRESS OF
AMERICAN INDIANS

In good news for Indian tribes, the House of Representatives on Tuesday, May 15 unanimously passed H.R. 205, the Helping Expedite and Advance Responsible Tribal Homeownership Act.

The legislation will amend the Indian Long-term Leasing Act of 1955 to authorize surface leasing of tribal lands under tribal leasing regulations, which would be approved by the secretary. The legislation supports tribal self-determination and

will enable tribes to move much more quickly on leasing and economic development, while maintaining the secretary’s trust responsibility to oversee trust lands.

It is an extension of the Navajo Leasing Act of 2000 to all Indian tribes.

“NCAI is very appreciative of Rep. [Martin] Heinrich [D-N.M.] for taking the lead on the HEARTH Act and passing the bill in House with the incredible support of Reps. Hastings, Markey, Young, Boren, Cole and Kildee and all the co-sponsors,” said Jefferson Keel, president of the National Congress of Ameri-

can Indians. “In the Senate the lead sponsor is Sen. [John] Barrasso [R-Wyo.] with Sen. Akaka and more sponsors on both sides of the aisle. This legislation has strong bipartisan support and offers an opportunity to keep making progress on important legislation that will help create jobs and improve the economy. I urge the Senate to take up H.R. 205 and pass it this week.”

The House bill has been sent to the Senate, where it awaits consideration. The Senate Committee on Indian Affairs has reported out the companion legislation, S. 703.

Archery Club readies for summer



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

The first day of Archery Club was graced with clear skies over the SunUte Community Center’s archery range as students reviewed their safety and protocol packets on Wednesday, May 9. SunUte Facility Operations Manager Precious Collins and Billy Jack Baker led the safety instruction. The club will continue throughout the summer, introducing students to the sport with basic hands-on exercises leading into advanced archery practice.



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Julie Olexa 563-4741
jolexa@southern-ute.nm.us

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(topics may be subject to change based on attendee requests & staffing)

May 10, 2012: Exams & Prevention of Complications

May 17, 2012: Kidney Health & Blood Pressure

May 24, 2012: Pre-Diabetes

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June 7, 2012: Let’s Move It! Physical Activity... Attitude, Low impact exercise, & Burning Calories

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WHO AM I?

Natural or spiritual: your choice

By Tim Yaw
NUUCIU BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Throughout this investigation, we have proven that God is the only source of genuine love.

But have you noticed that with every stone we overturned, valuable evidence was found and choices in our thinking were involved? These choices involved decisions as to belief in the natural realm, what appears to be reality, or the spiritual realm that appears to be outside of reality.

Since through this investigation we have chosen to take a spiritual focus as opposed to a natural focus, it would only be fair at this point to look more closely at the natural realm. In doing so, we might be able to prove that God is the creator of this natural world in which he placed his human creation.

The natural realm is based on the human senses. These are the things we see, hear, feel, smell and taste. Science tells us that anything or anyone that cannot be observed by our senses does not exist.

This idea is not factual because it is unproven, making it only a theory. Nevertheless, this theory is being taught to our children and grandchildren in schools and taught to adults through print, audio and video media, as well as by our government.

Billions of our tax dollars are spent annually in attempts to prove natural reality in an effort to disprove spiritual reality. It is done in the name of looking out for our best interest.

Originally, scientific research was based solely on the sensual things of nature, until more and more unnatural events began occurring and questions were being asked that natural science could not answer. Up until this time, science was fairly accurate, because most events were proven through physical evidence.

As people began asking more complex questions, scientific methodology was placed into jeopardy and thought formulation was added to the natural research methods, which totally contradicted science's claim that reality is only natural.

How? Because as we have already proven, thoughts are generated from within and are motivated by feelings which are motivated by self-driven desires. Uh-oh, it looks like science is entering a supernatural realm that scientists say does not exist, since thinking is not of the senses. Sensual things are material, while human thought is not material.

Have you noticed that when an event happens that cannot be explained through the natural realm, it is simply called a miracle and any further investigation is dismissed? This is not fair to the human creation to which science is charged to keep adequately informed.

When a miracle is proclaimed, it implies supernatural involvement — proving there must be a spiritual realm. This is when science again contradicts itself by indicating the event was not of the natural, yet refusing to recognize it as spiritual. Science does so because the spiritual realm cannot be examined sensually.

So concerning unexplainable events, scientists should just give up and go on? Certainly not. Webster's Dictionary defines science as "the systematized knowledge of nature and the physical world."

From this definition, it appears that science's basic goal is finding the causes of things. In looking for causes, then, shouldn't unnatural occurrences be investigated also? How can a logical person proclaim an event to be a miracle and at the same time deny the real and living God we have found through our investigation?

To answer to that question, a scientist must admit there is a spiritual realm beyond the natural realm, and in doing so, an intelligent creator of the natural realm must be acknowledged. It would be costly for a scientific researcher to acknowledge because so much money is being poured into trying to prove otherwise.

My point of all this is not to bash science; rather, to alert the reader so as not to be misinformed by the factless "evidence" against the supernatural that natural science forces on the world.

Here's my point of this

discussion today: By using scientific research ("systematized knowledge"), meaning logic and reason, we have previously proven that human existence did not come naturally; rather, it came from an intelligent being in the spiritual realm.

How did we do that? By logically looking at our real being, our soul, which is driven by emotions, thoughts and desires, making us spiritual. If we were driven by our five senses only, we would be natural.

Our investigation has shown that the natural us reacts to the spiritual us. In other words, we are a spiritual being inside a natural body, which we have already evidenced when we proved in past articles our body exists only to manifest the desires of our soul.

So why is such great effort being put into forcing people through the teaching of science to believe we exist only in a natural world? It is because of a battle being waged in the spiritual realm.

Do you remember when we investigated the principle of opposites a couple of months ago? We found that everything in both the natural and spiritual realms has an opposite: The opposite of hot is cold; the opposite of wet is dry; the opposite of love is hate; the opposite of good is evil.

The spiritual battle involves good vs. evil, and humankind is trapped in the middle. God created a perfect spiritual realm for humans in which to exist in order to have a loving relationship with him. Evil quietly entered into that realm, forcing God to take disciplinary action on his human creation and resulting in us living spiritually in a natural realm.

Are you interested in knowing more about this truth? We will examine how this transition from fully spiritual to a spiritual existence in a natural world came about.

But in order to do so, we must be fully aware of our spiritual existence, and that is why I spent so much time discussing the two realms of our existence in this article. Join me next time as we dig deeper into this spiritual battle to see what amazing facts we may find.

SEE IT. STOP IT.

Partners distribute sexual abuse prevention stickers

By Carla Wozniak
SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE TEAM

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. It's also a chance to get involved.

Local Sexual Assault Response Teams and See It. Stop It. parent and youth leaders are partnering to distribute domestic and sexual violence prevention stickers to businesses and other places where people gather in Ignacio and on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

You probably talked to someone today who has been a victim of sexual assault. At some point in your life, you've met someone that has dealt with the pain, the emotional distress, and countless other long-term effects of sexual abuse.

We know that one in two women and one in four men in Colorado have experienced sexually violent crimes in their lifetime. Most victims of sexual abuse know the person who assaulted them. Sixty-two percent of sexual assaults were found to be drug facilitated, and the most common drug used was alcohol.

It's time to get involved and do what's right.

Sexual Assault Response Teams work to ensure effective, consistent, comprehensive and collaborative responses to sexual assault that prioritizes the needs of survivors, brings offenders to justice, and reduces the impact of sexual assault in the 6th Judicial District.

The See It. Stop It. Peer Leadership Project is the grass-

roots campaign of the Violence Prevention Coalition of Southwest Colorado that is organized in five sites throughout the 6th Judicial District. Peer leaders take action to change the conditions that support domestic and sexual violence, oppression, and other forms of relationship violence in our lives and communities.

In honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, SART members and SISI peer leaders in Durango, Pagosa Springs, Ignacio, and the Southern Ute Indian Reservation are working together to distribute the stickers.

The stickers were developed and produced by VPC. They feature information about what

each of us can do if we see or know of someone getting hurt by sexual or domestic violence. The stickers also contain contact information for all area domestic and sexual violence service providers.

The stickers are being offered to local business establishments where patrons and tourists may easily and discreetly access this important information.

Local businesses, public employees, workers, and individuals may request stickers by contacting Gloria Casias-Mounts at Southern Ute Health Services at 970-563-0100 ext. 2347 or the Violence Prevention Coalition at 970-247-2935.

SEE IT!	STOP IT!
You see someone who is intoxicated and alone.	Alcohol is the most commonly used date-rape drug. Make sure they get home safely by calling a cab or helping them find their group of friends.
You know someone who is in an abusive relationship (emotionally, physically and/or sexually).	Sexual and partner violence can affect anyone regardless of sexual orientation, race, ability level, socioeconomic status, age, or immigrant status. Suggest they call one of the agencies listed below.
You notice someone putting something in another person's drink.	Make sure the person doesn't drink their drink. Alert a bartender or Law Enforcement about what happened.
You see one person being verbally or physically overpowering to another.	Call Law Enforcement or draw attention to the situation with a group of friends for safety.
You have a friend that has been sexually assaulted recently or in the past.	Sexual and partner violence are about exerting power and control over someone else; this violence is NEVER the victim's fault. Suggest they call one of the agencies listed below.
You notice someone buying and giving drinks to someone who is already heavily intoxicated.	Approach the bartender or get the intoxicated person away from the person buying the drinks and home safely.

24 HOUR SERVICES (In case of emergency, please call 911)

Alternative Horizons Sexual Assault Services Org. VOA Southwest Safehouse Archuleta County Victim Asst. Our Sister's Keeper Coalition Southern Ute Indian Tribe San Juan County	Intimate Partner Violence Hotline: (970) 247-9619 Sexual Assault Hotline: (970) 247-5400 Domestic Violence Shelter: (970) 259-5443 Domestic Violence & Sexual Violence Services: (970) 264-9075 Tribal Domestic & Sexual Violence Hotline: (970)-247-7588 Intimate Partner & Sexual Violence Services: (970) 563-4401 Intimate Partner & Sexual Violence Services: (970) 387-5531
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NEW EMPLOYEES



Brian Capalbo
Job title: Construction Services Crew Leader
Description of duties: Repairing Homes
Hobbies: Woodworking, Photography



Victoria DiCesare
Fitness Instructor
Description of duties: Teach Fitness Class
Hobbies: Horseback riding
Family: Married with 2 daughters

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For Southern Ute, JOM, & Descendant
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STUDY SESSIONS AND ORIENTATION JUNE 14TH & 15TH





HIGHER EDUCATION

New website helps students access 10 southern Colorado colleges

Media release
SóCOLO REACH

A new website will allow southern Colorado students to learn about programs at 10 two- and four-year colleges in one easy step.

The site, www.socolo-edu.org, is intended to show low- and moderate-income students that they can be the first in their families to pursue education after high school. The site was produced by the Southern Colorado Higher Education Consortium, a collaboration of all 10 public colleges and universities in southern Colorado.

A highlight of the site is a video series that use student voices to demonstrate the importance these colleges place on student success. Phillip Morris, the project coordinator, is particularly proud of the willingness of college students in southern Colorado to show high school students the process of going to college.

“These videos tell the collective story of navigating through college in Southern Colorado,” he said. “The students in the videos have done a fantastic job of breaking down complexity and addressing fears about going to college.”

The videos are available at www.socolo-edu.org/videos.html.

“Higher education is, in so many ways, a gateway to a more productive and satisfying life,” said Fort Lewis College President Dene Thomas. “Beyond the benefits to individuals and families, building an educat-

ed citizenry is good for the community, state, nation and the world. We at Fort Lewis College are excited to join the Southern Colorado Higher Education Consortium to help make a college education a reality for students in southern Colorado.”

Fueled by a \$750,000 Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education grant from the U.S. Department of Education, the SCH-EC is working cooperatively to increase the number of southern Colorado residents who attend college.

The website will help families in southern Colorado connect with local colleges and understand requirements to enroll in post-secondary education. Unemployment rates are generally lower for people with education after high school, and the Bureau of Labor predicts increased demand for employees with higher levels of education.

By fall, the group hopes to offer 10 new college-level courses to students

who are enrolled in high school, a feature rare in rural districts that dominate southern Colorado. The challenge of the consortium is to offer courses that are accessible, interesting and engaging for students who have done well in high school but might not be at the top of the class.

The goal of offering the new courses to high school students is to show them that they can succeed at the next level. Along with the new course offerings, each campus will offer a summer campus-based program that aims to introduce students to college expectations, campus life, and academic preparation techniques.

The graphic identity for the project, SóColo Reach, uses the Spanish concept of the Zócalo, or city plaza, combined with the southern Colorado outreach effort.

For more information about SóColo Reach, contact FLC Provost Barbara Morris at 970-247-7314.

The colleges represented in the SóColo Reach project include:

- Adams State University
- Colorado State University-Pueblo
- Fort Lewis College
- Lamar Community College
- Otero Junior College
- Pikes Peak Community College
- Pueblo Community College
- Trinidad State Junior College
- University of Colorado Colorado Springs
- Western State Colorado University

May Madness in Ignacio



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Basketball teams from around the region came to Ignacio for a two-day tournament during the Mid America May Madness Shootout on May 6 and 7. The teams ranged from third through eighth grades and high school divisions. Games were played at the SunUte Community Center, Ignacio High School and Ignacio Junior High school gyms.

KSUT raises radio funds



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

KSUT volunteers dished the food during a fundraiser for KSUT Southern Ute Tribal Radio during the Mid America May Madness Shoot-out on Saturday, May 5 at the Ignacio High School gym. Volunteers for the fundraiser included Mike Santistevan (left) and Alberta Bison (right). Other volunteers were Robert Ortiz, A'mya Bison, Beulah Kent, Debra Richards, Terrance Whyte, Lorena Richards and Sheila B. Nanaeto. KSUT would like to thank the high school for use of their facilities and the volunteers who assisted during the drive.



May 2012 Cultural Events

For more information, call Darlene or Dr. Oberly 970-563-0100 ext. 3620 or 2306.



Ribbon Dress and Shirt Making Workshop

Tuesday, May 1, 2012
Multi-purpose Facility
5:30-8:30 p.m.

Bear Dance Workshop

Open to all tribal employees, schools and community members interested in learning to dance in the upcoming Southern Ute Bear Dance.

Monday, May 7, 2012
Multi-purpose Facility
1:00-3:00 p.m.

Southern Ute Bear Dance

May 25-28, 2012
Starts 10:30 am
Feast on Monday at Noon
Bear Dance Grounds



Ute Nations Day

Friday, May 25, 2012
9:00 am-11:30
Sun Ute Multi-purpose Field

Bear Dance Kick Off Lunch

Friday, May 25, 2012
12:00 am-2:00
Sun Ute Multi-purpose Field

Day of Remembrance

Monday, May 28, 2012
10:00 am
Veteran's Memorial Park



SOLAR ECLIPSE

Albuquerque considered best location for viewing May 20 solar eclipse

Events to draw astronomy buffs to Albuquerque

Media release
ALBUQUERQUE CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

Visitors to Albuquerque in late May are in for a treat. On May 20, the first annular eclipse in 18 years will be visible from the United States. Albuquerque is said to be the best urban location to view this astronomical event. The type of eclipse is an annular eclipse, which occurs when the moon covers most of the sun's disk leaving a thin ring of light around the edge appearing as a "ring of fire."

The eclipse begins over Asia and, traveling at more than 1,000 mph, the shadow of the eclipse races to the southeast over parts of California, Nevada, Arizona, Utah and New Mexico before sunset. Locally, viewers will be able to see the annular eclipse four about four minutes beginning just before sunset at 7:33 p.m. in Albuquerque on the western horizon. A partial eclipse will be visible from approximately 6:30 to 8 p.m.

The Albuquerque Convention & Visitors Bureau and several partner organizations are inviting astronomy

buffs and interested star and sky enthusiasts to visit Albuquerque for this rare viewing event. Plan now to enjoy the wonders of our solar system with viewing opportunities and local educational activities for the entire family. Seven entities have established viewing and educational events during the week before and on May 20, led by astronomers, graduate students and museum educators.

Each of the viewing locations above offers a direct site of the horizon for optimal viewing of the eclipse. Petroglyph National Monument is offering a viewing event that has been so popu-

lar it is already sold out. Another solar event will take place just two weeks later on Tuesday, June 5 called a transit of Venus, in which the planet Venus visibly and slowly moves across the disk of the sun. This will not happen again until 2117. If you miss this, you will never see it again in your lifetime, and it will also be viewed perfectly from Albuquerque.

Educational and viewing events will again take place at the Balloon Museum, University of New Mexico and the New Mexico Museum of Natural History & Science. Details on both events are available at www.ItsATrip.org/ABQSolarEvents.

Where to watch

- Anderson-Abruzzo Albuquerque International Balloon Museum
- New Mexico Museum of Nuclear Science & History
- University of New Mexico Observatory
- New Mexico Museum of Natural History & Science
- Hard Rock Pavilion at Mesa del Sol
- Sandia Peak Tramway
- Historic Old Town – event plus ghost tour
- Los Poblanos Inn & Cultural Center – Stargazing & S'mores

Remembering those who've gone



Christopher R. Rizzo/SU Drum
Decorations adorn the gravesites at La Boca Cemetary south of Ignacio.

All quiet on Southern Ute lands



Christopher R. Rizzo/SU Drum
As summer approaches, the days are getting longer on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. Here, the sun sets on a mid-May evening.

ARTS & CRAFTS

'Two Ute women' coming to local gallery

By Ace Stryker
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Two local artists will bring a distinctive Southern Ute flair to the Dancing Spirit Co-op Gallery & Healing Arts Center on Friday, May 25. Arlene Millich and Charise Hunter, both tribal members, will put their work on display in a show called "Waa Nuu Mamachiu," or "Two Ute Women," at the downtown Ignacio gallery. Hunter will exhibit photographs and jewelry; Millich

will show paintings of primarily watercolor, plus some acrylic and pastel. Millich said the idea came from Kasey Correia, the gallery's owner. "She suggested that maybe it would be kind of neat for the two Indian women," Millich said. "I thought, 'Well, that's a good matchup.'" The show will include food and refreshments. The artwork will be on display for a month following the show. Some will be for sale.

Millich said she hopes visitors like what they see, but ultimately she creates out of her own appreciation for the arts. "As an artist, I would like for people to appreciate my artwork, but that may now always happen," she said. "Artists paint for their own enjoyment and passion, and I have found that I appreciate my own work more than anyone else could ever imagine." For more information, call the gallery at 970-563-9200.

DANCING SPIRIT GALLERY
PRESENTS

"Waa Nuu Mamachiu"
(Two Ute Women)

Ignacio, Colorado
May 25, 2012

Arlene Millich – Art Mediums
Charise Hunter – Photographs and Jewelry

SOUTHERN UTE BEAR DANCE

MAY 25 – 28, 2012

CHIEF: MATTHEW BOX
2ND CHIEFS: JAKE RYDER AND JOHN CHAVARILLO

BEAR DANCING STARTS 10:30 A.M.
BEAR DANCE FEAST MAY 28, 12 NOON
BEAR DANCE GROUNDS, IGNACIO, COLO.

NO SHORT DRESSES OR BAGGY PANTS WHILE DANCING.
PHONE PHOTOS OR VIDEOS AND AUDIO RECORDING ARE NOT ALLOWED, EXCEPT BY MEMBERS OF UTE TRIBES. THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE WILL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS, INJURIES OR THEFT. THE PINE RIVER IS RESTRICTED.
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL 970-563-0100 EXT. 2306.

INVITATION TO BID BID2012 Farm to School

School districts in southwest Colorado are working together to purchase beef from Colorado Ranchers in order to bring in healthier, sustainably produced and regionally sourced foods to our lunch programs. Bid for raw beef, no mechanical separation, minimally processed, no additives or preservatives, with minimum fat of 80/20. Send sealed bids to Durango School District 9-R, Nutrition Services, 201 E. 12th Street, Durango, CO 81301 by 2 p.m. May 25, 2012 for the furnishings of local beef to the delivery sites specified in the Delivery Locations document. All bids received after the time specified will not be opened or considered. The vendor is responsible for having their bid in on time, at the location specified. For a complete bid packet, visit www.ignacioschools.org.

SUNUTE UPDATE

"To expand and improve the quality of life for the Southern Ute tribal members and surrounding communities by stimulating social, physical, emotional, mental, cultural, and spiritual growth through recreational activities."

LOS PINOS SOFTBALL TOURNNEY

May 26 and 27. Open Men's and Women's. Entry fee: \$300. All teams must pay at SunUte before their first game. Men's teams will hit their own Core .44 and women hit Core .47. Awards will be given for first through third place, All-Tourneys, MVP. No homerun limit. Only approved ASA bats on current bat list will be allowed.

ARCHERY CLUB

Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Archery Club has started at the SunUte Archery Range. registration is still open. Youth ages 8 to 17 welcome. No experience necessary. Learn basic archery fundamentals and have some fun doing it. Free!

SUMMER SWIM LESSONS AT SUNUTE

Registration begins May 4. First session begins June 4. We are offering two-week sessions starting June 4. Classes will be 40 minutes long on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. A two-week session is \$36. Enrolled tribal members are free. Maximum of six children per class. Maximum age is 4 years old. Provided in cooperation with the American Red Cross' Learn to Swim Program. Sessions: June 4-15, June 18-29, July 9-20 and Aug. 6-17. If you want a specific time, please sign up soon. Levels: Level 1: Comfort. Introduction to water. Submerge face, kicking, bobbing, floating, and introduction to front crawl. Level 2: Stroke development. Front crawl, back crawl, breaststroke, elementary backstroke and rotary breathing. Level 3: Skills building. Deep-water treading, breaststroke, elementary backstroke, butterfly, flip turns, diving, etc. Parent/tots class: Only offered during Session 1 at 9 a.m. This class is for children ages 6 months to 3 years. Parents or guardians will have fun in the water with their children exploring water,

games and safety. Times: 9-9:40 a.m., 9:45-10:25 a.m., and 10:30-11:10 a.m. (Level I, II & III). Classes may be divided by age depending upon enrollment. Sign up at the front desk after May 4 and pay for the class to hold your spot.

BECOME A RED CROSS LIFEGUARD

Registration closes Friday, June 1. Tuesdays and Thursdays: June 5, 7, 12 and 14 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost: \$100 per student. Full reimbursement for participants who become SunUte lifeguards and stay for six months. Class free for Southern Ute tribal members. Must be at least 16 years old. Must be able to get in the pool and participate all four days. Must be able to swim 300 yards (six laps in the pool) using front crawl and breaststroke without stopping. Must be able to tread water for two minutes using legs only. Must be able to retrieve a 10-pound brick from the 11-foot-deep end and swim 20 yards with both hands on the brick within 1:40. Must obtain 80 percent on the written exams. Must be able to perform the final lifeguarding skills and scenarios proficiently. Successful participants will receive a two-year certification for lifeguarding, CPR/AED, and First Aid. Bring lunch, snacks and water!

SPECIAL HOURS FOR BEARDANCE AND MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Friday, May 25, 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday, May 26, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday, May 27, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Monday, May 28, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
*All spectators, participants, and family members of those participating in the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Bear Dance will have free admittance to the SunUte Community Center from May 25 to May 28.

Fishing Derby

May 19th, 2012
at Scott's Pond Time: 8:00am-3:00pm

Who:
Southern Ute Tribal Members and immediate family members only.

50 tagged fish!
Awesome prizes, including cash prizes!

Fishing classes will be available upon request.

Barbeque Lunch Provided
While it lasts.
11:30am to 1:00pm
Water will be available throughout this event.

Fishing Permit Fees:
Southern Ute Tribal Members -FREE
* Immediate Family Non-Tribal -FREE
(only for the day of the derby)

Fishing Rods:
limited fishing rods & tackle available for Tribal Member usage only.

For more information, please call us at 970-563-0214. Or visit our website at WWW.SUNUTE.COM
P.O. Box 737 290 Mouache Circle
Ignacio, Colo 81137

CenturyLink offers telephone assistance to individuals living on Tribal Lands

Low-income consumers may qualify for assistance that will reduce the cost of basic monthly telephone service. The assistance program, known as Lifeline Affordable Telephone Assistance, is available to qualifying consumers in every U.S. state (territory and commonwealth). Qualifications for participation vary by state. In states that follow the federal guidelines, the subscriber must have a household annual gross income at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines for a household of that size; or participate in any one of the following programs: Medicaid, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8), Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program, or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

Residents of American Indian and Alaskan Native tribal lands may qualify for up to an additional \$25 of enhanced Lifeline support monthly and a credit of up to \$100 on their initial installation charges. An individual living on tribal lands may qualify for Lifeline and Link-Up discounts if he or she participates in one of the programs listed above, the Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, Tribally Administered Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, or Head Start (only for those households meeting its income qualifying standard).

Lifeline eligible subscribers may also qualify for reliable home high-speed Internet service up to 1.5Mbps for \$9.95* per month for the first 12 months of service. Further details are available at centurylink.com/internetbasics

If you live in a CenturyLink service area, please call 1-800-244-1111 or visit centurylink.com/lifeline with questions or to request an application for the Lifeline program.

*CenturyLink Internet Basics Program - Residential customers only who qualify based on meeting income level or program participation eligibility requirements and requires remaining eligible for the entire offer period. First bill will include charges for the first full month of service billed in advance. Promotional charges for service from the date of installation to bill date, and one-time charges and fees described above. Qualifying customers may keep this program for a maximum of 60 months after service activation provided customer will qualify during that time. Limited High-Speed Internet rate of \$9.95/mo. applies for first 12 months of service (after which the rate reverts to \$14.95/mo. for the next 48 months of service), and requires a 12-month term agreement. Customer must either lease a modem/router from CenturyLink for an additional monthly charge or purchase a modem/router from CenturyLink for a one-time charge, and a one-time High-Speed Internet activation fee applies. A one-time professional installation charge (if selected by customer) and a one-time shipping and handling fee applies to customer's modem/router. General - Services not available everywhere. CenturyLink may change or cancel services or substitute similar services at its sole discretion without notice. Offer plans, and stated rates are subject to change and may vary by service area. Deposit may be required. Additional restrictions apply. Terms and Conditions - All products and services listed are governed by tariffs, terms of service, or terms and conditions posted at centurylink.com. Taxes, Fees, and Surcharges - Applicable taxes, fees, and surcharges include a carrier Universal Service charge, carrier cost recovery surcharges, state and local fees that vary by area and certain interstate surcharges. Cost recovery fees are not taxes or government-regulated charges for use. Taxes, fees, and surcharges apply based on standard monthly, not promotional, rates.



Southern Ute Bear Dance Contest Powwow May 25 & 26, 2012 Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Ignacio, CO

GRAND ENTRY: FRI. 7 pm • SAT. 1 pm & 7 pm
GOULD DANCE: FRI. 5 pm - 6:30 pm • SAT. 11 am - 12:30 pm & 5 pm - 6:30 pm

HEAD STAFF

MC - Miller Clark, Cheyenne/Comanche
Arena Director - Bart Stevens, Albuquerque, NM
Head Lady - Brianna Goodtracks, Ignacio, CO
Head Man - John Oberly, Ignacio, CO
Head Gould - Lowell Nibbs, Chairman-Comanche Little Ponies
Drum Judge - Ian Thompson, Ignacio, CO
Host Northern Drum - Sun Eagle, Shiprock, NM
Host Southern Drum - War Eagle, Oklahoma
Color Guard - Southern Ute Veterans Assoc.

CONTEST CATEGORIES

GOLDEN AGE (50+)

ADULT
Fancy Shawl, Grass Dance
Jingle Dress
Northern and Southern Traditional

TEEN BOYS & GIRLS (12-17)
Fancy, Grass Dance
Jingle Dress
Traditional

JUNIOR BOYS & GIRLS (7-11)
Fancy, Grass Dance
Jingle Dress
Traditional

VENDOR INFORMATION

FOOD VENDOR
Kendra Alexander 970-563-5541

ARTS & CRAFTS VENDOR
Jeannette Frost 970-563-0100 ext. 2470

Outside Booth Rates
\$75/day (10'x10')
\$100/day (10'x20')

Inside Booth Rates
\$50 1 day (10'x10')
\$75 both days (Fri. & Sat.)

Cash only!
Bring your own setup.

REGISTRATION: Opens Friday 5 p.m. • Closes Saturday 2 p.m.

The Powwow Committee will not be responsible for accidents, injuries or theft.
Drugs & alcohol prohibited!
For further information contact Joyce Ford 775-671-5426 or Tara Vigil 970-799-0615



What's On Your Mind?

The La Plata County Board of County Commissioners goes "On the Road" and invites you to join them for an informal community dialogue on issues important to you!

Monday, May 21, 2012
7:00 p.m.

Bayfield Town Hall
1199 Bayfield Parkway, Bayfield

Bobby Lieb
Wally White
Kellie Hotter
La Plata County Commissioners

For more information, please call (970) 382-6219



Southern Ute Growth Fund - Job announcements

Obtain complete job descriptions and applications from the Growth Fund Human Resources, 14933 Hwy. 172 • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO • 970-563-5064 • rtaylor@sugf.com
Tribal member employment preference, must pass pre-employment drug test & criminal history.

Field Office Assistant

Closes 5/23/12 – Frontier Field Services
Maljamar, New Mexico. This position provides clerical and administrative support company plant.

Land Records Analyst I

Closes 5/23/12 – Red Willow Production Co.
Ignacio, CO. Analyzes oil and gas leases, assignments and other documents to setup and maintain interests and obligations in electronic database. Obtains and maintains orderly and accurate land records for Company interest properties.

Land Records Analyst II

Closes 5/23/12 – Red Willow Production Co.
Ignacio, CO. Responsible for analyzing and interpreting oil and gas leases, assignments and various documents to document and maintain orderly and accurate land records for all Company interest properties.

PeopleSoft Senior Payroll Developer

Closes 5/25/12 – Southern Ute Shared Services
Ignacio, CO. This position is responsible for development and production support of PeopleSoft Human Capital Management

and related interface to General Ledger and Accounts Payable, providing PeopleSoft Payroll technical support and consultation.

PeopleSoft FSCM Senior Developer

Closes 5/25/12 – Southern Ute Shared Services
Ignacio, CO. Responsible for development and production support of PeopleSoft Finance and Supply Chain Management applications, providing enterprise-wide PeopleSoft technical support and consultation.

PeopleSoft Senior HR Developer

Closes 5/25/12 – Southern Ute Shared Services
Ignacio, CO. This position is responsible for development, analysis, and production support of PeopleSoft Human Capital Management applications, providing PeopleSoft HR and Benefits technical support and consultation.

Lead Land Records Analyst

Closes 6/1/12 – Red Willow Production Co.
Ignacio, CO. Establishes procedures and protocol to maintain orderly, accurate, and appropriate land records for all operated and non-operated interest properties.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Powwow Committee vacancy

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has four Powwow Committee Member vacancies. Must be an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members or a Native American community member. Members serve on a voluntary basis. The responsibility of the Southern Ute Indian Powwow Committee is to promote the traditions and culture of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe through powwows. All interests individuals are urged to submit a letter of intent to Personnel Department in the Leonard C. Burch Tribal Administration Building.

Attention Tribal Hunters: Annual Brunot Area Rare Game Permitting Lottery

Included with Brunot Area hunting available to Southern Ute Tribal hunters is the opportunity to pursue rare big game, including Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, moose, and mountain goat. Due to the rarity of these animals within the Brunot Area, only a limited number of permits will be available each year through an application and random draw process administered by the Southern Ute Wildlife Division. Tribal hunters may apply to receive a permit during the month of May only, and drawings and notifications will be made in June. The window for submitting an application is Tuesday, May 1 through Thursday, May 31. Applications must be signed by the applicant and received by hand-delivery or postmarked during the application window. Please note that if you apply but are not drawn for a permit in a given year, you will receive a "bonus point" toward drawings for that hunt type in the future. The more bonus points you accrue, the better your chances are at being drawn. Applications are available free-of-charge to enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members only. Applications must be obtained and submitted through the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at P.O. Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. For information, contact the Division at 970-563-0130.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Gaming Commission Vacancies

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is seeking three (3) Southern Ute tribal Members to serve on the Gaming Commission for three (3) year terms. Applicants must possess the following attributes pursuant to the Regulation One of the Gaming Commission Rules and Regulations:

- Applicants must be at least twenty-one years of age;
- Applicants must possess a basic knowledge and understanding of gaming activities authorized on the Southern Ute Indian reservation;
- Applicants must have experience or expertise in regulatory matters or in administrative hearing procedures;
- Applicants must have the ability to observe restrictions concerning conflicts of interest and confidentiality;
- Applicants must submit an application form and a letter of interest explaining why the applicant wishes to be appointed to the Commission; and
- Applicants must undergo a background investigation.

Applications may be obtained at the Division of Gaming Office in the West Wing of the Justice Complex, 149 County Road 517, Ignacio, Colorado, 81137. Applications and a letters of interest are required to be turned into the Division of Gaming Office by 5 p.m., Friday, June 8. Any questions can be answered by the Division of Gaming at 970-563-0180.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe – Job announcements

Please refer to the complete Job Announcement and Requirements in the Human Resources Dept. P.O. Box 737 • Ignacio, CO 81137 • www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs
Phone: 970-563-0100 • Fax: 970-563-0396 • Hotline: 970-563-4777

*Human Resources accepts applications for Temporary Employment on an on-going basis.

Health Services Driver (Southern Ute Tribal Members Only)

Closes 5/21/12
Provides transportation and other needed services for the Southern Ute Tribal Member Services Clients. Pay Grade 13; \$11.37 per hour.

HVAC Technician

Closes 5/21/12
This Position provides maintenance support, troubleshooting and preventative maintenance on commercial heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems including, machinery, building automated systems controls, boilers, hot and chilled water distribution systems, steam humidifiers, cooling towers, walk in coolers and freezers and variable volume systems located in Southern Ute Tribal Buildings. Pay Grade 19; \$20.64 per hour.

Purchasing Agent

Closes 5/21/12
Position is responsible for maintain the supply room for all general cleaning supplies and for processing travel requests and travel expense reports. Pay Grade 19; \$20.64 per hour.

Administrative Assistant Intern at CDOT (Southern Ute Tribal Members Only)

This intern position under the Tribe's Education Department will be assigned to the DKOT Region Transportation Directors office located at 3803 North Main Ave. Durango, CO. The work hours are from 8:00 am to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The position pays \$10 an hour and the intern must provide their own transportation.

Purchasing Technician

Closes 5/25/12
Performs purchasing duties to include processing requisitions, travel requests and purchase orders. Assists in warehousing, central receiving, Tribal campus deliveries and general office assistance. Pay Grade 16; \$15.37 per hour.

Business Officer Manager Trainee (Southern Ute Tribal Members Only)

Closes 6/1/12
This is a trainee position for an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member. Upon completion of the training program the incumbent will be responsible for Tribal Health business office management to include the overall direction and supervision of the health registration functions, benefits contact, medical records, medical administrative assistants, insurance verifications, voucher examination, data entry, benefits coordination, billing and collection of all third party resources across the department. Pay Grade 19; \$20.64 per hour.

Cultural Department Director

Closes 6/11/12
This is a professional management position with the overall responsibility for the formulation, planning, implementation and management of tribal cultural and historic programs and various related activities. The Culture Department Director provides direction, support, guidance, and general supervision to divisions and programs within the Department to promote and maintain the integrity and continuity of Southern Ute Culture and History. The Director shall ensure all actions of the Department are based upon and effectively express the cultural values, principles and perspective of the Southern Ute Tribe as a whole and ensuring the primary beneficiary of its actions is the tribal membership. Pay Grade 25; \$85,490/annual.

Youth Employment Program Worker (Southern Ute Tribal Member Only)

Closes 6/11/12
Under general supervision of the Youth Employment Program Coordinator, Youth Employment Program Aide, or Tribal Department Directors, Division Heads or Managers, performs job duties as directed and participates in activities provided within the SUIT Education Youth Employment Program. This position is a grade 10: First year Youth Workers are paid \$9/hour and returning workers are paid \$9.50/hour.

A great new way to find out about job opportunities 24 hours a day, seven days a week! The job hot-line lists the job title and closing date for both Permanent Fund and Growth Fund positions. Full job announcement including qualifications in Human Resource Department. Hotline is updated weekly.

Ignacio School District – Job Announcements

Application/Information: 970-563-0500 ext. 221
Job descriptions and application can be found at: www.ignacio.k12.co.us
Ignacio School District is accepting applications for the 2012-2013 school year

- Bus Drivers
- Opportunity Room Aide

- Special Education Aide
- Counseling Secretary

FORT LEWIS COLLEGE Office Manager

Fort Lewis College is seeking an Office Manager for the Educational Talent Search Program. The program serves students by offering assistance with college, financial aid and scholarship applications as well as career and college exploration, tutoring, college tours, and family workshops. A Bachelor's degree, a valid driver's license, and the ability to work evenings and weekends are required. This is a 22-hour work week/11 month position with benefits. Please visit www.fortlewis.edu/jobs and click on "Exempt Positions" to be directed to detailed job information including minimum qualifications and the application process. Applications received by May 11, 2012 will be given full consideration. Fort Lewis College is an AA/EO Employer.

BP - Job Announcements

For in-depth information on this position and to join our team, visit our website at: www.bp.com/epcareers. BP is seeking the following positions. BP is an equal opportunity employer.
Click on the "View Jobs" under the "HSSE" category or click "Submit Resume/CV" and then click "Search Openings" and type in Req ID#.

#32715BR Operations Pipeline Technician
Durango, CO. The Operations Pipeline Technician will primarily be responsible for pipeline maintenance activities including pigging, valve greasing, defect elimination, and Department of Transportation (DOT) compliance activities.

call requirements. The Line Locator Technician must comply with laws and regulations while fostering a positive public image of our organization.

#33170BR Line Locator Technician
Durango, CO. The Line Locator Technician will primarily be responsible for locating underground facilities in response to UNCC one-

In compliance with Title 17 of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Employment Rights Code, BP will give preference to individuals covered by the Code for purposes of hiring, promotion, lay-off, and training for work performed within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Reservation.

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BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

OF THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE



COMMUNITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Your input is needed! Our Club will have its own Board of Directors to create its vision, plan programs, develop funding, and more. We are looking for experienced people who are invested in this community's youth and are excited about being a key component of this organization.

• There are 5 Tribal Member seats available (out of 10 seats total)
Applications available at:
• SunUte Community Center
• www.southern-ute.nsn.us/bgclub

Applications due July 1st, 2012

For more information, contact Marissa Rocha, CPO, @ 970.563.0100 x2694 or mrocha@southern-ute.nsn.us

COMMUNITY BUSINESS SECTION



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HOME & LAND

Managing prairie dogs

By Kevin Mallow
S.U. AGRICULTURE DIVISION

Prairie dogs, to some, are cute little rodents that are fun to watch.

To others, they are vermin that destroy crops, spread disease-carrying fleas, and cause erosion.

Prairie dog populations are extremely high in southwest Colorado. Over the past couple of years, there have been good conditions for prairie dog spread and little or no bubonic plague in local populations. This adds up to very high numbers, a large amount of damage, and an increased occurrence of prairie dog populations that are close to homes.

Prairie dog control has always been difficult, but with restrictions on effective management tools, it is even more difficult. Prairie dogs can be managed with fumigants and baits (phostoxin, zinc phosphide oat bait, etc.).

All available prairie dog management products require the applicator to be certified as a private pesticide applicator or a commercial applicator. Due to the Chemical Facility Anti-terrorism Standards and requirements from Homeland Security, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe does not currently have a pest control program.

The private pesticide applicator certification can be completed by first purchasing the study guide and testing materials. The cost of the materials is \$25. The test is an open-book test that you complete at your convenience.

Once you have completed the test, it is sent to the state



Courtesy Kevin Mallow/SU Agriculture Division
More than just a nuisance, prairie dogs are known to spread bubonic plague.

for grading. The licensing fee is \$70, which makes the total cost of the certification \$95. The certification is active for three years.

Another option is to hire a commercial applicator to manage the prairie dogs. Commercial applicators can use the legal registered fumigants and baits. They may also have other methods that are somewhat effective.

Prairie dog management may affect you even if you don't see prairie dogs near your home. Prairie dogs are known to carry a flea that is the vector for bubonic plague. This flea feeds on prairie dogs and cats, but may hitch a ride on dogs.

This creates the need to make sure cats and dogs have an up-to-date flea collar or other flea repellent. This will keep your pets from bringing fleas into your home that can spread bubonic plague to you and your family.

If you have a reason to be in a prairie dog colony, please take precautions. Precautions you can take include wearing long-sleeved shirts and pants, using in-

sect repellents, sealing the cuffs of pants, and avoiding dead or dying prairie dogs.

If at all possible, the best practice is to stay out of prairie dog colonies.

Taking precautions is always needed even if the prairie dog colonies near your home have been treated. When the prairie dog is no longer there for the fleas to feed on, they will actively search for other hosts.

Prairie dogs are a widespread problem. Controlling them in small areas can be effective but will need to be completed up to several times per year. Because of the large number of prairie dogs, they quickly move into areas that have been previously treated from neighboring properties.

Treating large areas that cross property boundaries can help to negate this problem. It takes cooperation on everyone's part.

If you have questions or concerns about prairie dogs, or need to get your private applicator certification, call Kevin Mallow at 970-563-0220 or stop by the Agriculture Division.

Shoshone-Bannock visit Ignacio



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum

Delegates from the Idaho-based Shoshone-Bannock Tribes met with the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council on Friday, May 4. The Fort Hall Business Council was seeking direction on alternative energy ventures. Standing for a portrait in the Leonard C. Burch Tribal Administrative Building's Hall of Warriors (left to right) are Southern Ute Councilman Aaron V. Torres, Shoshone-Bannock Vice Chairman Glenn Fisher, Shoshone-Bannock Councilman Darrell Dixey, Southern Ute Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr., Southern Ute Council Lady Ramona Y. Eagle, Shoshone-Bannock Sergeant of Arms Devon Boyer, Southern Ute Vice Chairman James M. Olguin, and Southern Ute Council Lady Pathimi GoodTracks.

FRACKING REGS

BLM publishes proposed rules despite Southern Ute opposition

Changes could hamper development on tribal lands

By Ace Stryker
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Despite the protests of Southern Ute and other tribal leaders in a Congressional hearing in April, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management published new environmental rules affecting tribal lands on Friday, May 11.

The rules, which would affect public and tribal lands, are aimed at making safer the process of hydraulic fracturing, or "fracking," a technique used to stimulate oil and gas wells to increase production. Recent concerns about its perceived threat to groundwater purity and the mix of chemicals used have made it a hot topic in environmental circles.

But in a Thursday, April 19 hearing before the U.S. House of Representatives' Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs, James M. Olguin, vice chair of the South-

ern Ute Indian Tribal Council, joined other tribal leaders in opposing the measures. They argued that the bureau failed to adhere to its own consultation policy, which requires meaningful talks with tribal leaders whenever new rules could affect tribal lands.

Olguin also said the tribe maintains and enforces its own safety rules that are more than sufficient for the job. If the federal government imposes unnecessary

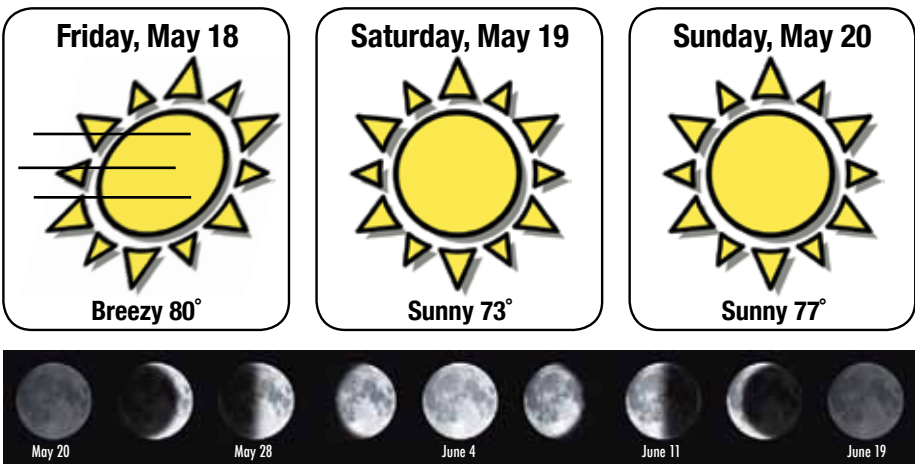
rules for development on tribal lands, he said, the operators could move elsewhere, driving a healthy industry from the reservation.

Committee Chairman Rep. Don Young, R-Alaska, was sympathetic to the tribes' concerns and pledged to try to stop the regulations from proceeding. But they nevertheless appeared in the May 11 issue of the Federal Register, a key step toward becoming official.

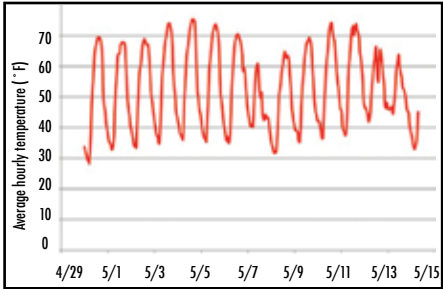
Once an item is published in the Federal Register, it's open for public comment for a given time — in this case, until July 10. The BLM must address any significant issues that arise during the public comment period, but the way is then clearer for implementation.

Fracking is used in roughly 90 percent of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation's 3,000 or so wells, according to the Southern Ute Energy Department.

LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

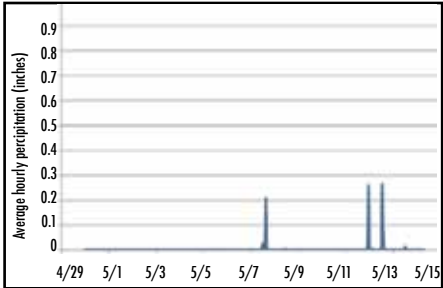


Weather data for April 29 – May 25



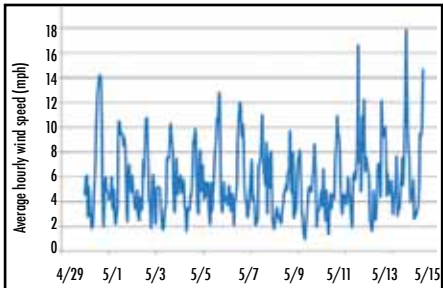
Temperature

High	75.2°
Low	28.5°
Average	52.7°
Average last year	46.4°



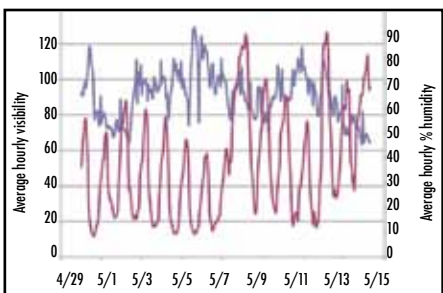
Precipitation

Total	0.90"
Total last year	0.30"



Wind speed

Average	5.7
Minimum	1.0
Maximum	17.8



Visibility & humidity

Average visibility	91.0
Average humidity	37.7%

Air quality
Moderate



Data compiled by Southern Ute Environmental Programs

Weather forecasts collected from www.NOAA.gov

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